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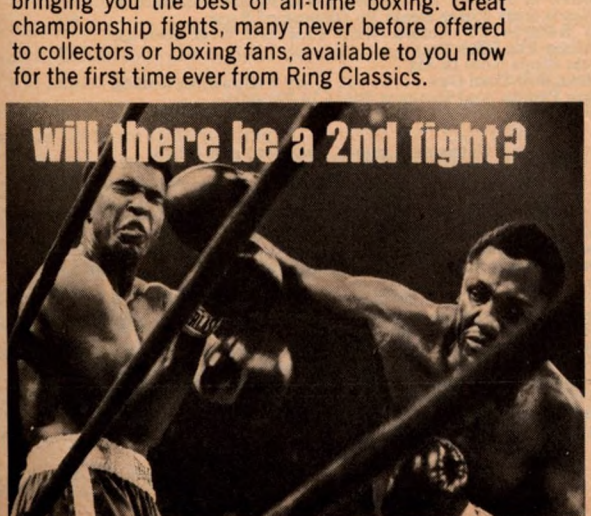

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NAT FLEISCHER SPEAKS OUT

This is the last editorial written by Nat Fleischer.
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IN the Rule Book of the New York Commission, Page 59, Section 217.14, it says, "If the contest is terminated between rounds the knockout must be regarded as having taken place in the round just terminated. However, if the bell for the subsequent round has already sounded, the contest ends in the subsequent round."

Under this regulation, the fight at Omaha, Neb. between Joe Frazier and Ron Stander, which ended by order of the commission doctor after four rounds, without the fifth round bell having sounded, the official decision in New York would have been "KO in 4 rounds."

Nevertheless, the Nebraska State Commission, represented by Cy Seitchick, ruled that the official decision was "KO in the fifth round."

This controversy is an old one and comes up from time to time.

The debate raged back in 1919, after Jess Willard had lost the title to Jack Dempsey. Willard threw in a towel after three rounds.

Since the bell had not sounded for the fourth, the experts called it a three-round KO and there has been no expert scrapping about like results ever since.

The one minute rest after a round in a continuing fight belongs to the round just completed.

However, Nebraska saw it otherwise. Its commission should put things like that into a rule book.

Another case in point happened in Paris recently. Jean Claude Bouttier was sitting in his corner after the 12th round, badly beaten by middleweight champion Carlos Monzon.

The bell rang for Round No. 13. But Bouttier did not respond. He was exhausted in his corner and manager Jean Bretonnel made it official by announcing his boxer's retirement for the night.

Thus the fight has gone into the record books as having ended in a 13 round KO.

To have sent Bouttier out for Round 13 would have shifted the stoppage into the jurisdiction of the referee, Rudolph Drust, from Germany. Drust undoubtedly would done the humane thing.

Is the stage finally set for the second fight between Joe Frazier and Cassius Clay? No, not likely. Joe says he will not fight until 1973. Cassius says he will meet all comers if promoters are ready to match his terms.

The dope is that Clay will have another New York outing and that it is likely to involve Floyd Patterson.

The Clay-Patterson match would have been consummated some time back if Jerry Quarry had not held out for a doubleheader arrangement dragging in his younger brother Mike.

Well, the Frazier-Stander affair is out of the way, with the expected result. What do they offer for an encore? Frazier says he will not fight Clay until 1973. Stander doubtless will have a lot of offers to fight second raters for the customary second rate pay check.

Stander got a taste of caviar in the Frazier fight–something like $48,000–and he is not likely to want to go back to the hamburgers he got before the bout with Joe in Omaha.

In any event, the Frazier-Stander fight stirred up the heavyweight bouillabaise and appears likely to keep the pot boiling.

In New York not so long ago Frazier said that after his fight with Clay he will have a surprising announcement. This statement apparently has stirred interest in the Clay camp. What is Frazier likely to spill?

Clay says that he would not be surprised if the announcement had Joe quitting the fight game.

Joe has denied that this will be his message. But it wouldn't surprise me if it were just that.

Yank Durham has urged Frazier to retire. The manager-trainer never has discussed this in detail but it stands on the record.

Durham's urging Joe to quit the ring is out of character for trainers and managers. But there is a very close relationship between Yancy and Joe, and Durham is not likely to urge his discovery to go on fighting if going on would be merely a matter of money.

Frazier says he will fight Clay again for $3,500,000, a sum which would fix Joe for life, in a style suitable for life as a millionaire.

If Joe quits, Durham will not be in the million dollar class but he will be a long distance from the Yank of the old days in Philadelphia.

Frazier and Durham have a strong interest in the effort to solve the medical mystery of the sickle cell blood disease with which so many black men are born. Yank has a son who is a sickle cell victim.

Maybe Frazier plans to set up a foundation for the study of the sickle cell and its cure. That would be one of the greatest benefices a black man could offer to his race.

Going back to the fight in which Frazier beat Stander it ended just about the way I expected. I figured that Ron, a bleeder, would be cut badly from the start and that if Frazier did not stop him in four or five rounds the ringside doctor would. And so it came about.

Some fighters are cursed with early and easy loss of blood. Their handicap is a very serious one. Time was when referees paid little, if any, attention to blood letting and the ring too often became a scene of gory carnage.

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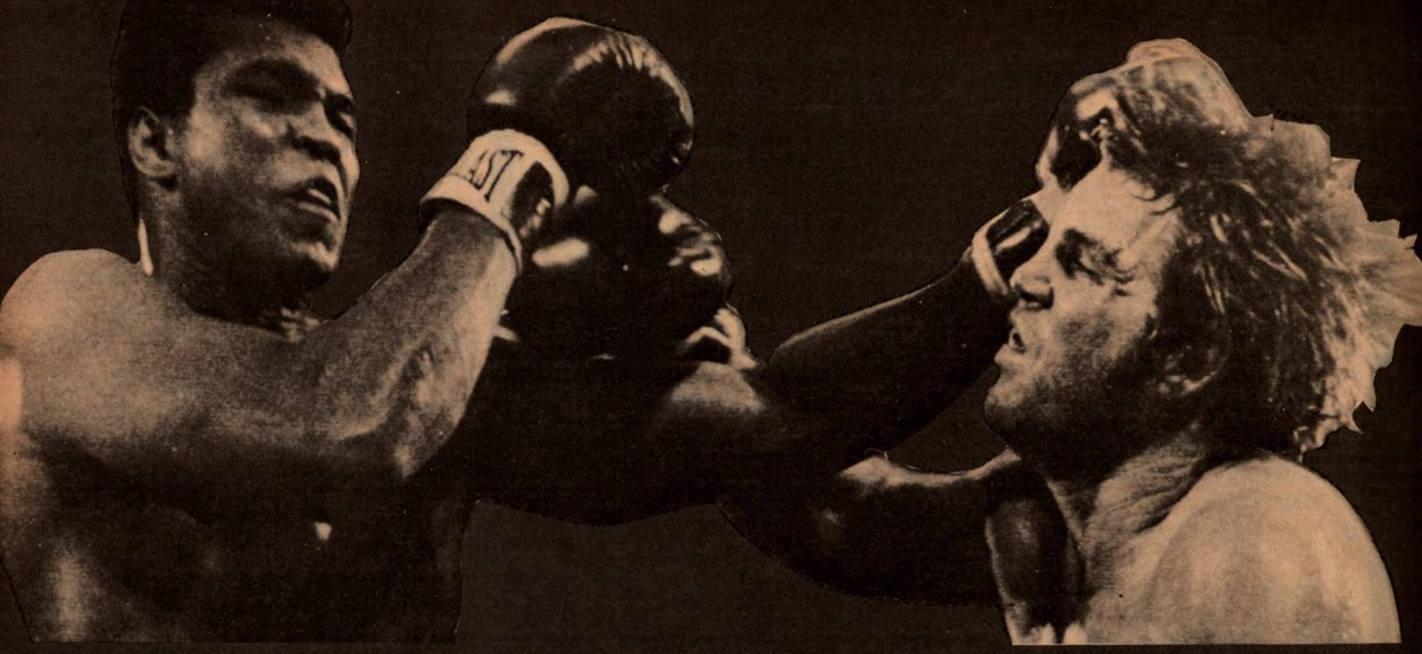

CASSIUS CLAY

JERRY QUARRY

STOPPING QUARRY NO FEAT FOR WELL-CONDITIONED CLAY

By DAN DANIEL

RECENT developments in the heavyweight situation may be compressed into one more or less interesting result. With a tasty return of $500,000, a rank mockery to anti-inflationists, Cassius Clay knocked out Jerry Quarry in seven rounds at Las Vegas.

Quarry received $200,000, the softest touch in the history of boxing. A summation of Jerry's technical contributions to the Nevada show might be assayed, with generosity, at $1,000.

Quarry went into the ring with little and showed less. It was an exercise in bravura, and nothing more.

However, let us not be too harsh on Jerry. The heavyweight field's composition offered him as a prime sacrifice, the promoters urged him into the match and its lush financial return. He could not be blamed for accepting the delectable

Cassius Clay connects with Jerry Quarry's face and appears to squash it during their Las Vegas contest, won by Cassius in the seventh.

package, confident that even if he were knocked out, Clay the compassionate would not injure him badly.

It was not a notable fight. But it did serve to warn Joe Frazier that when, and if, he defends his title against Clay a second time, the task is very likely to be more arduous than it was in New York on March 8, 1971.

While not a smashing achievement over a truly dangerous opponent, Clay's victory at Vegas showed that he was getting increasingly more effective, and much improved physically.

As time rolls along, Cassius goes right on fighting, and Frazier goes right along announcing that he will not fight Clay again before 1973.

Offerings to Frazier, as well as Clay, are many. Real money in large packages is being thrown at them by confident promoters. There never before was anything like this in boxing.

The public is fight hungry and extremely avid for major action. That in spite of the fact that the heavyweight field does not appear to offer a dangerous opponent for either Frazier or Clay.

By losing to Clay, Quarry forfeited his No. 2 spot in the ranking behind Joe. Now comes George Foreman to become the 1972 Ajax defying the lightning. The experts are doubtful. They wonder how far Foreman would go if he were thrown in with Frazier or Cassius.

Now comes, too, Bob Foster, the light heavyweight champion, bereft of profitable opposition in his own class, eager to offering himself, at the current fancy rates, against Clay.

Boxing history offers to Foster no encouragement in a fight with a high ranking heavyweight. But Old Mother Hubbard's cupboard appears to be nearly bare for Bob among the light heavies. The worst that could happen to Foster if he fought Clay would be a knockout. Bob survived his second round KO by Frazier without going to a hospital for repairs.

Floyd Patterson pops into and out of the heavyweight cauldron, with rumor upon rumor, and Floyd enjoying the rural solitude of his estate at New Paltz, N.Y.

After 20 years of service in the ring, Patterson, at age 37, is entitled to serenity and the quiet life. It would be a pity to see him injured in the interest of a personal experiment of doubtful value.

In so far as a Frazier-Clay return match is concerned, there isn't even any talk on the subject.

Bob Turley, secretary of the California State Boxing Commission, says that it is conceivable that Frazier has a physical impairment—eye trouble, for example—and wants time to get rid of it.

Turley says that if Frazier were to sign up for a California engagement, he would have to be prepared to pass a stringent examination by an eye specialist.

Turley first said Yank Durham blamed judges and referees in California. Bob even mentioned a reported Durham statement about the possibility of an earthquake in the Golden State. That's a new one, if it be so.

It is new to find Yank a student of the seismograph and the San Andreas Fault. No. it's not likely.

The Ring, which has to judge by the size of its mail on the subject, finds a growing apathy about Frazier vs. Clay. However, interest certainly would perk up immediately after they had signed the contracts.

If Frazier has eye trouble it is being

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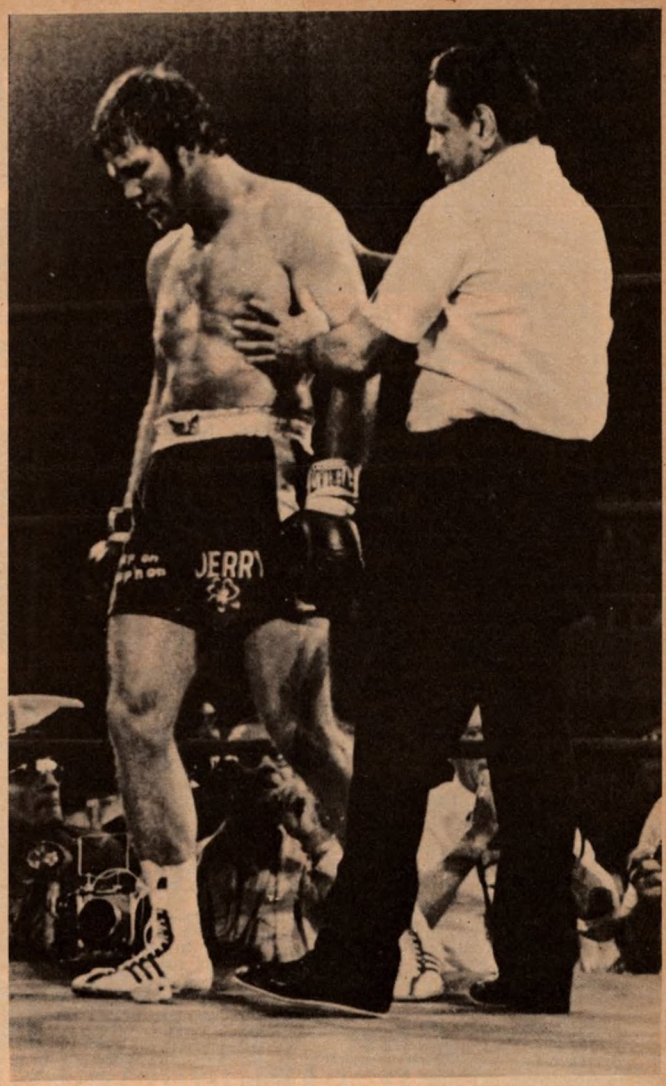

Referee Mike Kaplan sends Jerry to his corner after stopping the bout with 19 seconds gone in the seventh session.

Clay banters with some hecklers in the crowd after taking the measure of Quarry.

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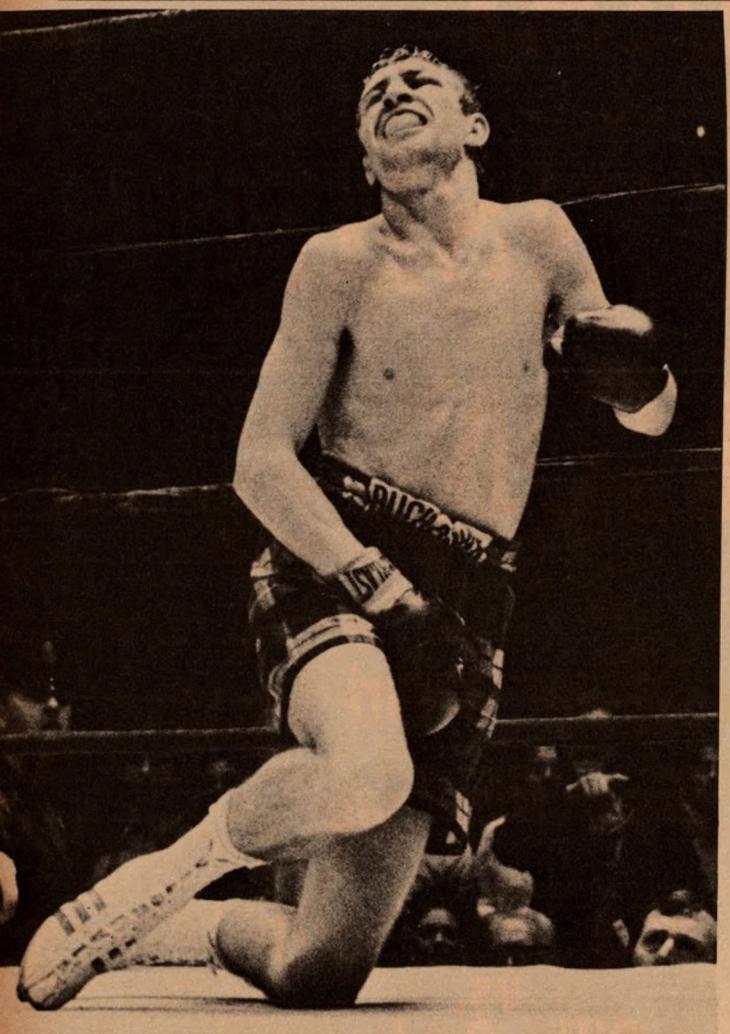


(Left) Ken Buchanan clutches his groin as he falls to the canvas following an exchange with Roberto Duran after the bell sounded the end of the 13th round. (Above) Duran connects with a low right hand, obviously a foul, after the 13th round bell as referee Johnny LoBianco attempts to pull the Panamanian away.

DURAN'S 135-LB. TITLE SUCCESS OVER BUCHANAN MARRED BY APPARENT FOUL

By GEORGE GIRSCH

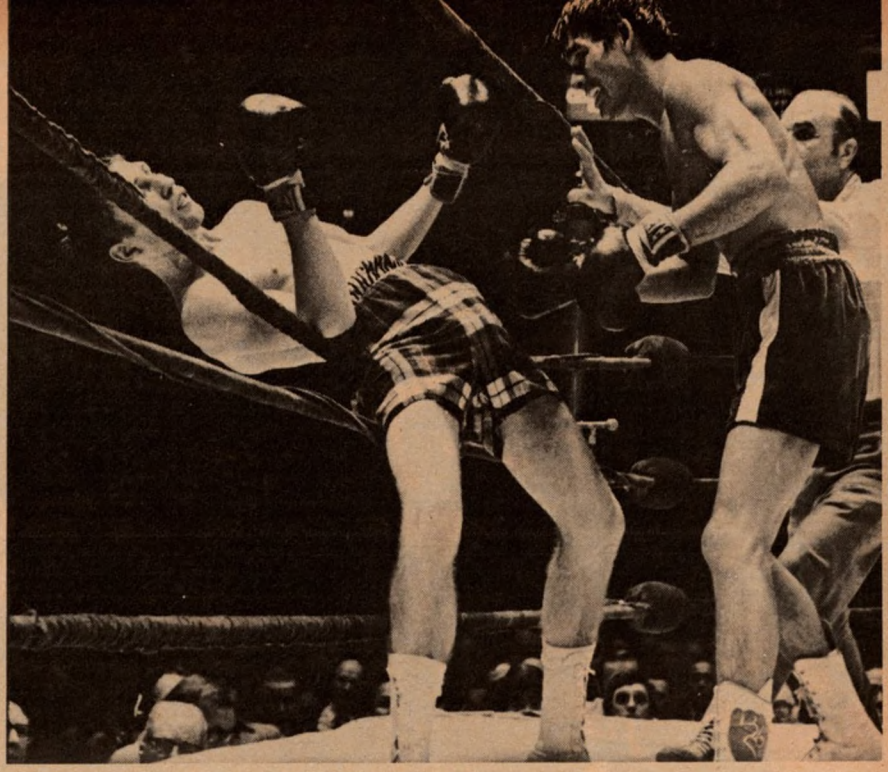
ROBERTO Duran, of Panama, is the new lightweight champion of the world, but, unfortunately, a taint goes along with his new title. Duran completely dominated, outfought and just plain belted Ken Buchanan through most of their battle at Madison Square Garden which ended bizarrely with Buchanan writhing on the floor insisting he was fouled during a flurry following the bell ending the 13th round. But Roberto's street-fighting tactics will continue to haunt him until he meets Buchanan again, reportedly in November in the Garden.

Always the aggressor, most of the time swarming all over the heretofore slick Scotsman almost before he could come out of his corner at the beginning of a round, Duran showed Ken what kind of night it was going to be by sending him to the floor with his first blow of the evening.

While it sort of caught Buchanan off-balance and wasn't really a hard punch, down went Ken, only to bounce right up. But referee Johnny LoBianco refused to call it a slip, as Ken claimed, and forced the Scot to take the mandatory eight count.

The pattern of the bout thus emerged with Duran forcing Buchanan to the ropes, Ken trying to bob and weave in order to duck away from Roberto's twin hammers. But Buchanan wasn't able to duck away from all of them. It was Duran's right which continually clipped Buchanan on the jaw.

Duran's fanatic and vocal followers in the crowd of 18,821



(Left) Duran connects with a right to Buchanan's jaw, something that occurred quite often during the evening's proceedings. (Above) It appears that Buchanan is heading for the seats as Duran attacks after the bell ending Round 13 sounded. (Below) Roberto's handlers and followers are ecstatic as they hoist him up after he was declared the new lightweight king.

which paid $223,901, may have been disappointed in the fact that their 21-year-old idol failed to make good on his boast that he would stop Buchanan within nine rounds, but they went ape when the bout was halted and awarded to Duran, the new 135-pound king.

Duran's manager, millionaire Carlos Eleta, obviously annoyed at the way the fight ended, said he would be glad to give Buchanan a return match in November at Madison Square Garden. Harry Markson, the Garden's Boxing Director, said that would be fine with him.

Unfortunately for Duran, all his aggressive action, all his barrages, which both surprised and shook Buchanan to the core throughout the 13 rounds of fighting, were forced into the background by what took place at the end.

The one-sidedness of the bout can be shown by the cards of the officials. Referee LoBianco had it 8-3-1, judge Bill Recht scored it 9-2-1 and judge Jack Gordon saw it 9-3-1, all for Duran, of course.

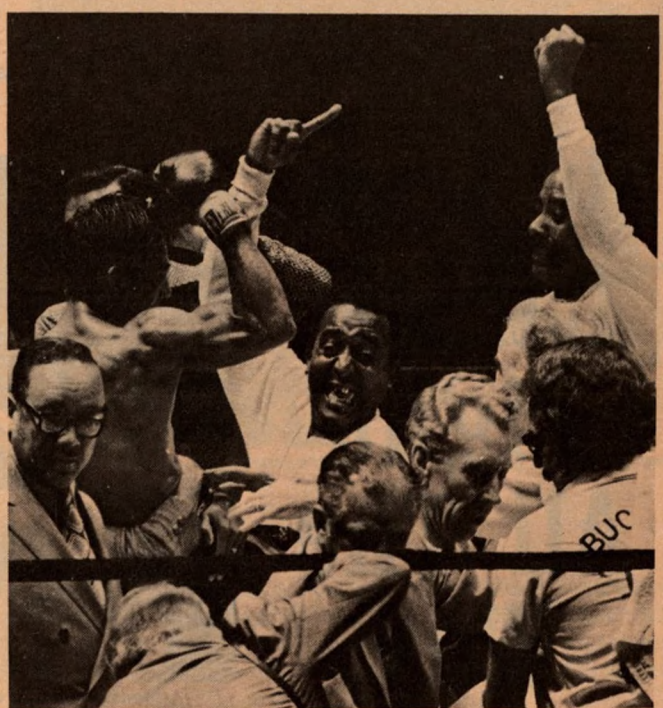
The discrepancy in the scoring occurred because both LoBiano and Recht forgot to mark their cards following the wild ending of the 13th. The Ring scorecard had it 7-4-2 for Duran.

In most of the rounds throughout the evening, the pair had exchanged blows after the bell, having to be forced apart by the referee. But at the end of the 13th, Duran forced Buchanan against the ropes. Suddenly Ken was writhing on the canvas in obvious pain, clutching his groin. After perhaps 10 seconds, his handlers picked him up, put the Scotsman on his stool and went to work on him.

Referee LoBiano went over to Buchanan's corner to look him over as trainer Gil Clancy and Ken's father, Tom, claimed their man was fouled by Roberto's knee and/or a foul blow. The referee said he saw no foul committed, then halted the proceedings awarding the fight and championship to Duran, due to Buchanan's "being unable to continue."

Buchanan, however, claimed, "I told the referee I was able to continue. I wasn't going to lose my title that easily."

In support of Ken's insistence that he was fouled, New



York State Athletic Commission physician Dr. A. Harry Kleiman reported his examination of Buchanan showed "fluid in the testicles."

Referee LoBianco was in no position, as can be seen in the accompanying photos, to see whether or not a foul was committed. Perhaps if, instead of pulling Duran away from behind, he had intervened between the pair, the ring official would have been in a much better position to see if an infraction occurred.

And, as can be seen by these photos, Duran apparently landed a low blow after the 13th round bell had sounded.

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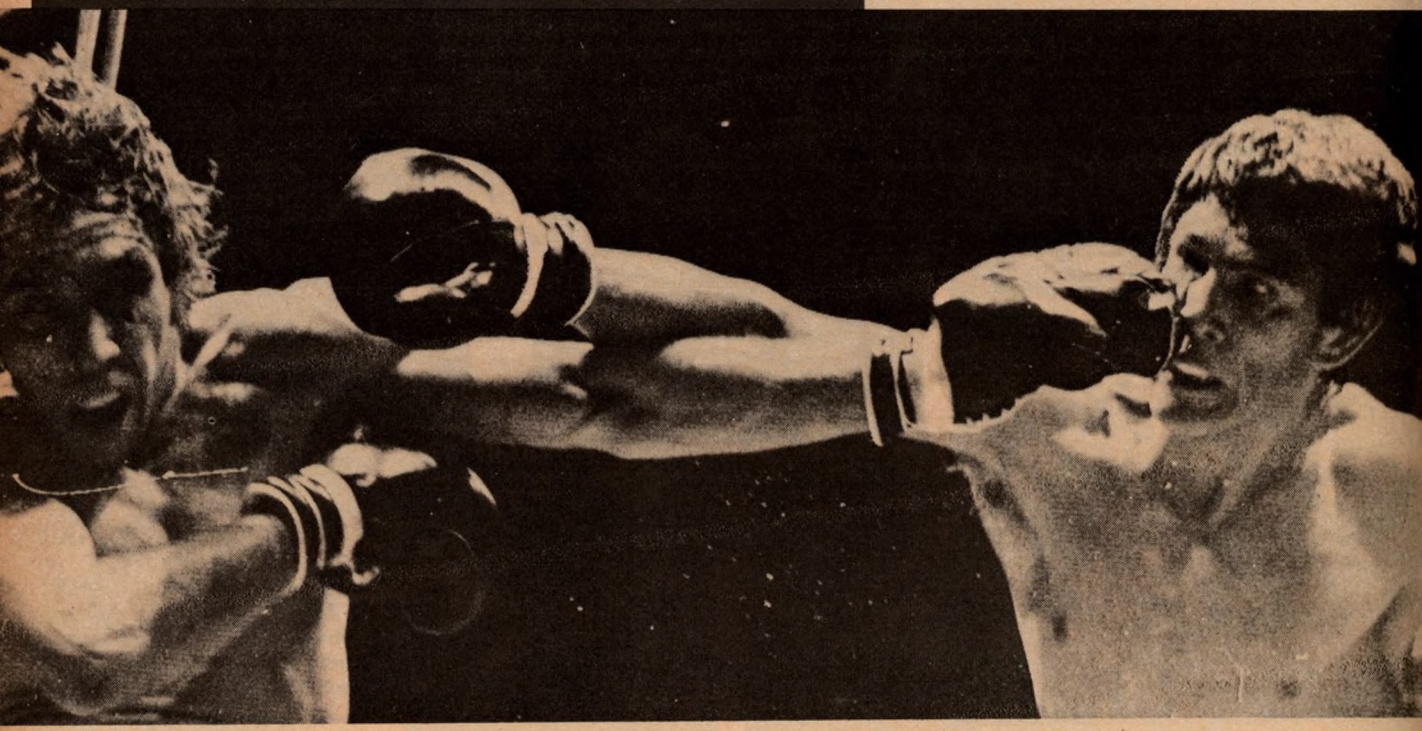
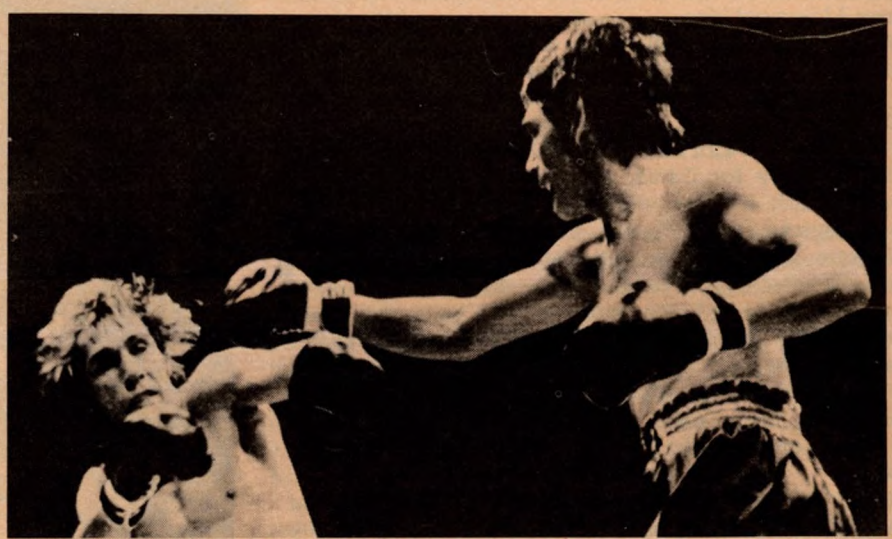


Jean-Claude Bouttier (left) connects with a long left to Carlos Monzon's face as the middleweight king attempts to land a right.

It Was Carlos' Fight All The Way



Monzon is about to land a right to the jaw as Bouttier attempts to ward off the blow.

By MICHAEL KATZ

PARIS, France – Where does Carlos Monzon, the world middleweight champion from the Argentine, go from his 13-round KO of Jean-Claude Bouttier, of France?

Bouttier, who had been rated the No. 1 contender for the title Monzon had taken from Nino Benvenuti, was battered to a standstill, unable to leave his corner and kept there by his manager, Jean Bretonnel, after the gong had sounded for the 13th round.

The first post-fight challenge to Monzon came from Australia, which wants Carlos to come to Sydney to fight Tony Mundine, the new spectacular from Down Under.

Mundine is big enough and strong enough and perhaps the Aussies have another Ron Richards or even, who knows, another Les Darcy.

Beating Bouttier, Monzon finally looked like a champion. Since he took the middleweight crown from Benvenuti in Rome, in November 1970, the Argentine had convinced as many boxing men that he was nothing more than an incredible strongman, as he had impressed others with his being an irresistible force.

In a rematch with the shadow of Benvenuti in May, 1971, in Monte Carlo, the Italian's corner quickly threw in a towel before Monzon had landed the telling punch. He defended again against Emile Griffith in Buenos Aires and the American seemed suddenly an old, tired man, a bald spot appearing almost out of nowhere and growing larger under the television lights as the fight went on.

Last March in Rome, Monzon had not finished the job again against Denny Moyer when the Argentine referee abruptly stopped the fight.

But against Bouttier, the handsome Frenchman who holds the European title, Monzon was a convincing champion. On a magnificent spring evening at the stadium in which the 1924 Olympics took place in the Paris suburb of Colombes, after 40,000 Frenchmen had sung a stirring rendition of the "Marseilleise," Monzon at last began his reign of terror.

Wearing a sneer of contempt on his handsome Indian features, the 29-year-old Argentine won all 12 rounds on the West German referee's scorecard before Bouttier's manager wisely decided to save his tiger from further punishment.

Bouttier, trying to become the first Frenchman to win the middleweight title since Marcel Cerdan lost it to Jake LaMotta in 1949, was no slouch, although his 56-3-1 won-lost-drawn record had been fashioned mainly against less-than-mediocre opposition. But the 27-year-old French idol had only one brief moment of glory, and that came shortly before he was knocked down for the only time in the fight, in the sixth round.

Bouttier, handsome, smiling, popular, had become something of a legend in France, where the middleweight division is the most prestigious (Georges Carpentier was at Colombes and looked more like a middleweight again than a blownup light heavy).

There had been three books published on Bouttier in the two months before the fight, he was on the cover of the French equivalent of "Life" magazine and his wife and young daughter were photographed more than Brigitte Bardot.

Blessed with that rarely seen commodity in Europe—a good right hand—he had been groomed patiently by Bretonnel in the gymnasiums of the United States. "That's where a boxer must go if he wants to learn his trade," said Bouttier.

And besides learning how to eat eggs for breakfast—a very uncontinental habit—Bouttier picked up a left hook. "Made in the U.S.A." he would joke about himself

Monzon capped off a successful and enjoyable day by visiting the Le Lido nightclub and carrying off a most attractive Blue Bell Girl.

Bouttier, his left eye completely closed, after the bout was stopped at the start of the 13th round.

Referee Durst holds Monzon's arm aloft, signifying his victory over Bouttier.

Back in France, the serious student of boxing learned how to do roadwork from Michel Jazy, the former world mile record-holder and a close friend, and he searched out the best European fighters to work with and learn from. The former butcher's apprentice was an obvious comer.

There were those who said he came too fast. Benvenuti, now reporting for Italian newspapers and radio, cautioned against the match with Monzon being made in the first place, saying Bouttier had to wait a couple of years, not only to round himself out, but maybe to hope that the Argentine would age.

"Some people don't know when they have the chance," Bouttier retorted, adding just in case, "It's not a catastrophe if I lose."

Monzon, of course, was the heavy favorite. Not usually a good gym fighter, he had the French press calling him another Henry Armstrong—the resemblance being the relentless

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WORLD LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHT TITLE

FOSTER EYES CLAY AFTER KO OF BROTHER MIKE

Bob Foster lands a right uppercut to the chin of Mike Quarry after the challenger missed with his own right.

By GEORGE GIRSCH

LIGHT heavyweight king Bob Foster having dispatched Mike Quarry with comparative ease via a devastating left hook in round four of their title match on the other half of the Cassius Clay-Jerry Quarry bill at Las Vegas, it could very well be that the 33-year-old 175-pound ruler will move up and take on Clay as his next opponent.

It's not too far-fetched despite the fact that Foster has a notoriously bad record against heavies, his most recent foray coming to grief at the hands of Joe Frazier in two rounds at Detroit in November, 1970.

However, Foster needs an opponent, and Clay is looking for one all the time. So, all they need is an obliging promoter, and a weight-gaining diet for Foster which will add about 15 pounds to his lanky frame and, presto instant match.

Foster's manager, Lou Viscusi, says, "I'd like to have Bob try that left hook on Clay."

That left hook almost decapitated Mike Quarry and caused quite a bit of concern for the young man's health as he was out cold for nearly two minutes. It was the first time the younger Quarry was decked after winning 36 straight, and he'll never forget the feeling as he was falling.

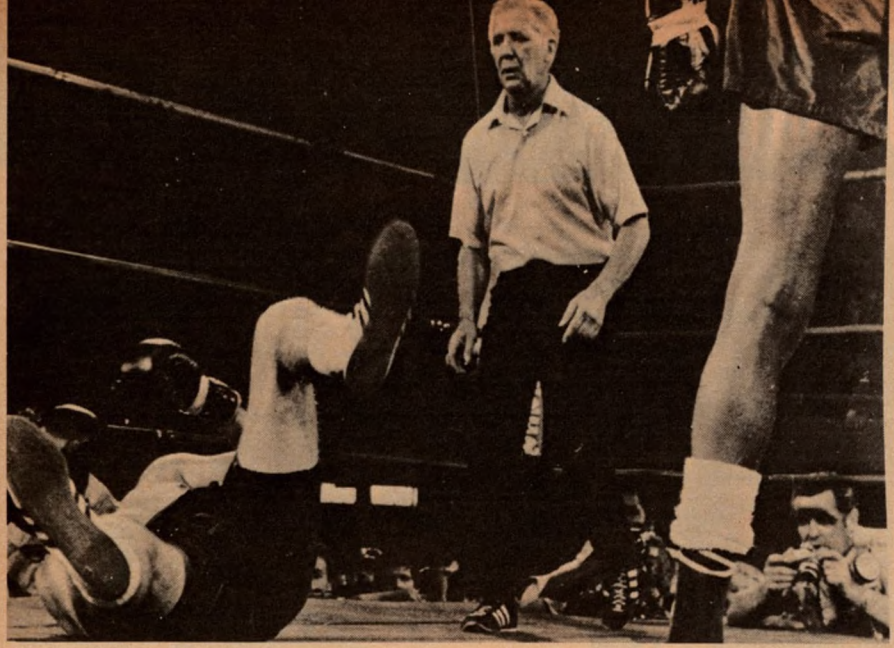
Before the fight, Foster said the reason Quarry hadn't been decked before was "because he hadn't fought anybody. This won't take too long."

True to his prediction, the rangy Foster racked up his 10th defense of the title he won from Dick Tiger in 1968 after stalking his prey for the first three sessions.

During the first nine minutes, not much damage was done by either man. Mike tried to dazzle the champion by dancing around like Fred Astaire for the first two rounds. He did connect with a combo at one point, drawing cheers from the crowd for his bravado.

But Foster, wise old Robert, was just biding his time. By the third round, he seemed to have Quarry's bouncing around

Foster drives a left to Quarry's body during the first round. It was a powerful left to the chin that took care of Mike in round four.



(Above) Quarry hits the deck after being clouted by that Foster left hook. He was out cold. The referee is Harry Krause. (Right) Mike's handlers attempt to revive the unconscious boxer.

well-timed. Then, in the fourth, Bob stepped up his attack.

It was near the end of the round when the guillotine dropped with shocking suddenness near mid-ring. After Quarry missed with a left, Foster, seeing his chance, sent a hard right to the jaw, dazing the 21-year-old. Then, Foster, quick as a flash, clouted Mike with his renowned left hook flush on the chin. Quarry was throwing a left of his own which, peculiarly enough, landed lightly on Foster's face after Bob had connected with the knockout blow. Then Quarry fell backwards to the canvas, out like a light.

The bell had rung but referee Harry Krause counted Mike out due to the "no save" rule. He could have counted to a thousand and Quarry would not have heard him.

Foster showed more concern for Quarry at that point than he did during the fight, going over to see whether his unconscious foe was alright. Mike's handlers and Dr. Donald Romeo worked on him. Finally, after many whiffs of ammonia capsules, Mike came out of it, much to everyone's relief.

"I was never hit that hard," said Mike. "I didn't see it, I didn't feel it and I don't remember going down. I was pulling away from the right when he surprised me with the hook. He caught me, that's all."

Said Foster, "I was banging him in the body with right uppercuts and I could see that he was starting to tire. I knew it would take a little time to catch him. I used to fight like him—bouncing around and that kind of stuff. But that's no good, you have to take your time. I was just waiting to suck him in. I knew I could wait for the right time. I was getting those rights into his body and slowing him up.

"The shot I hit him with was almost like the one I hit Tiger with to win the title, but the Tiger one was better," declared big Bob. But you couldn't prove it by Mike Quarry.

Foster, who received $80,000, thus captured his 48th triumph in 53 contests, while Quarry picked up a $40,000 check as balm for his first setback.

Going into the fourth round, judges Bill Kipp and Ralph Mosa had the fight 3-0 for Foster, while the third judge, Art Lurie, had Foster in front, 2-1. Under Nevada rules, three judges vote but the referee does not.

To add insult to injury, Mike, after getting dressed and going out to see his brother lose to Clay, headed for Jerry's dressing room. On the way, he saw his brother-in-law being roughed up in the crowd. Attempting to go to the rescue, Mike was kicked in the groin. "That's all I needed after what happened," moaned Mike.

In talking about Clay after disposing of young Quarry, Foster recalled when he and Cassius were trying out for the U.S. Pan-American Games squad some 13 years ago.

"He had a big mouth even then," laughed Bob. "We boxed together in the gym, but never in a real fight." Asked if he ever knocked Cassius down, Bob calmly answered, "Sure, everybody knocked him down."

Incidentally, the tone of the evening for the millions of fans who watched the Las Vegas doubleheader on closed-circuit TV was set by Mel Allen, who when introducing his announcing partner, actor Jack Palance, said, "Here's my sidekick—Bob Palance."

Mel had a rather rough time as he kept referring to Jerry Quarry as Jerry Foster and Mike Quarry as Mike Foster. Allen tried to correct himself once when he realized he had called Mike Quarry

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Friends restrain Mike as he shakes fist at a heckler after he went out to watch brother Jerry's bout with Cassius Clay. It just wasn't the Quarrys' night, it seems.

WORLD WELTERWEIGHT TITLE

Napoles Romps In 2 Rounds

By
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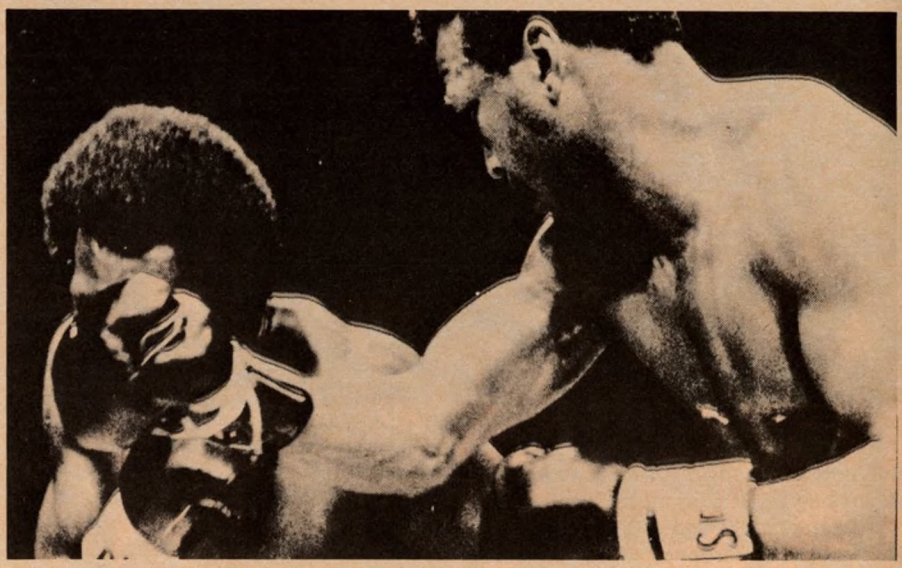
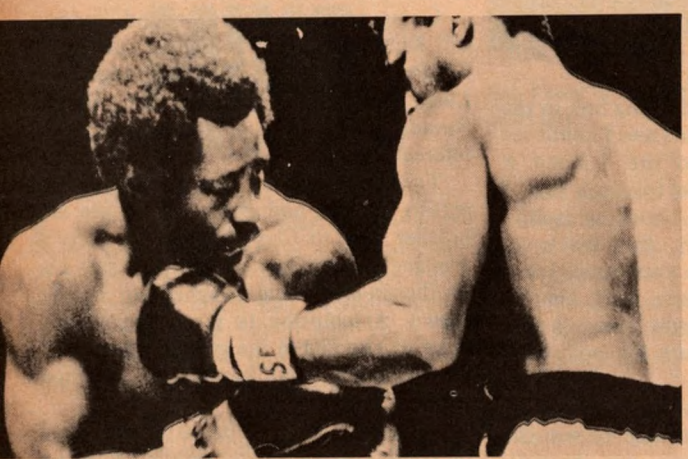


Welterweight king Jose Napoles lands a smashing right to the head of challenger Adolph Pruitt.



Here we see Mantequilla, as Napoles is called by his admirers, connecting with a crisp left to the jaw in the first round.

MONTERREY, MEXICO – Adolph Pruitt, of St. Louis, entered the ring here labelled the No. 1 contender for the world welterweight championship held by Jose Napoles, the Cuban-born fighter based in Mexico.

If what Pruitt accomplished, or rather failed to accomplish, against Jose is an index to the chances of the rest of the welter top ten, Napoles is likely to keep the crown until he is old and disabled, or, more likely, retires with a Mexican fortune.

Pruitt had the misfortune to hit Napoles when the champion felt in an annihilating mood. He was out to win as fast as he could and he did it in a few minutes, with the referee saving Adolph from serious harm.

Pruitt made little if any impression on the Mexican fans. Napoles, scoring his 62nd victory, as against four defeats and one draw, was indominatable.

It was a strange fight, such as it was, because all the punching was to the head, with infighting apparently barred by conditions.

In the offices of the New York Commission, Napoles went into Eddie Dooley's books as the winner of a fight minus title significance.

But The Ring and most of the logical boxing world pay no attention to the New York ukase which said that Napoles, having failed to live up to an agreement at Syracuse, N.Y. to defend the title against Billy Backus, who boasted a victory over the Cuban, no longer was the champion and the title was open to an elimination tournament.

However, Dooley's decision is regarded as one of the prime jokes of the year in boxing. Jose's quick disposal of the No. 1 contender left New York's commission minus any sensible support.

Napoles hit Pruitt almost at will. It didn't matter whether he chose to do this

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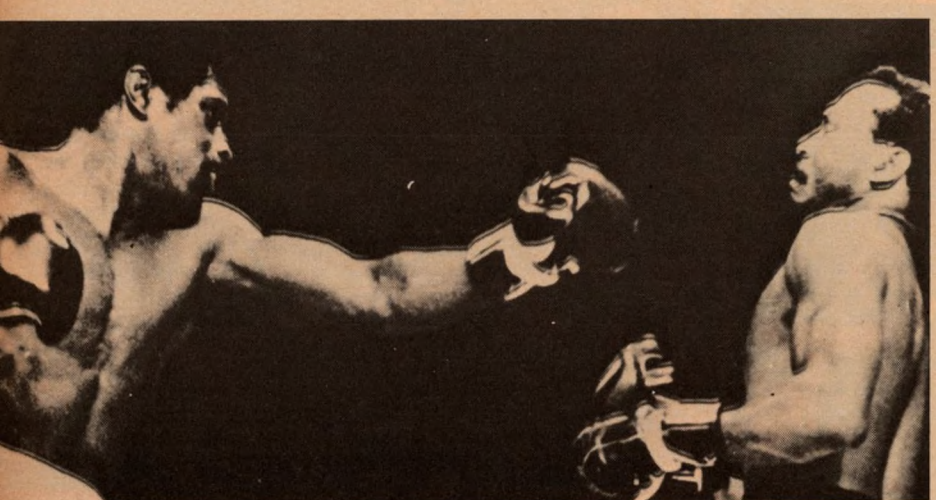
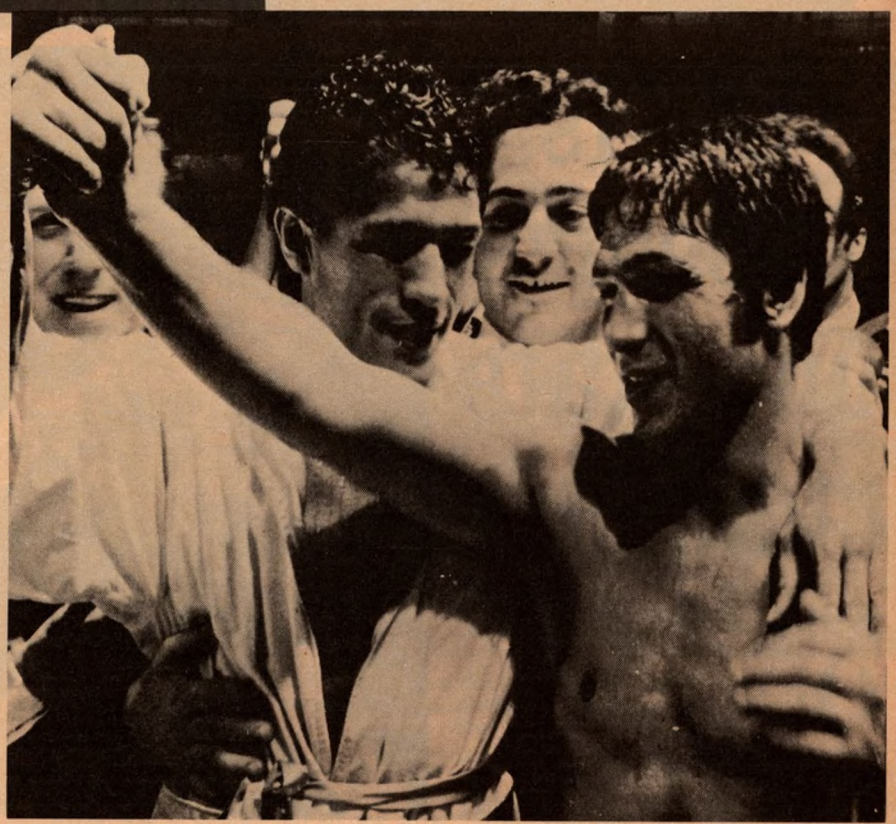
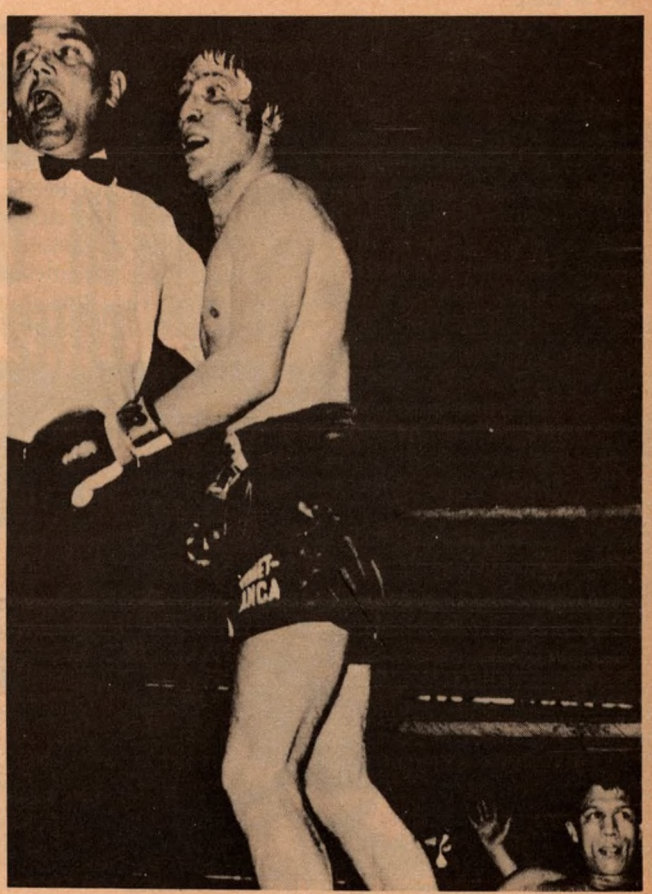


Napoles steps back to avoid a long Pruitt left. Jose put Adolph away in round two.

ARCARI FRACTURES HENRIQUE'S JAW ON WAY TO 41st STRAIGHT TRIUMPH



(Above) Loser Joao Henrique (in white robe) raises Bruno Arcari's hand in victory. (Below) Referee guides Arcari to a neutral corner after Bruno scored knockdown in 12th. Bout was halted a few moments later.



By GERALDO VISCONTI

GENOA, ITALY – Examination of the monthly ratings of the fighters of the world in The Ring shows that the recognized junior welterweight champion is Alfonso Frazer, of Panama.

However, in some places they call Bruno Arcari, of Italy, the world champion.

Those who back Arcari believe that his right to the title was affirmed when he stopped Brazil's contender, Joao Henrique, in the 12th round.

Forty-eight hours after the fight, Henrique, who had been complaining of severe pains in his jaw, was taken to a Rome hospital. There it was discovered that his jaw had been fractured in the fifth. It received the proper surgical treatment. It is a question when the Brazilian will be able to fight again.

Henrique's showing was most disappointing to Brazilians and Arcari's triumph has convinced Italians, more than ever, that their World Boxing Council-backed hero is the real, actual and authentic world leader in the 140-pound division.

Arcari's victory suggests a meeting with Frazier to settle the class supremacy. But Bruno fights exclusively in Italy and Frazer fights almost as exclusively in Panama, and who knows, never the twain shall meet?

The line of descent of the junior welter title to Frazer is by way of a victory over Nicolino Loche, of Argentine, last March.

After a long tenure as champion, Loche, a loser, announced his retirement. Then he changed his mind, and for a guarantee of $40,000 he went to Panama and took a severe beating from Frazer. Loche was handicapped by a bad left shoulder and conceivably should not have fought Frazer.

But Loche did fight Frazier and Nick did get the beating of his long fistic life.

Examination of Arcari's record shows him to have one of the standout records of the decade. And yet, not a champion.

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N.Y. WELTERWEIGHT TITLE

Lewis Becomes One-State Champion

By NAT LOUBET

Hedgemon Lewis (right) is about to land a hard right to the jaw of Billy Backus in the second round of their Syracuse 15-rounder.

ON West 47th Street, New York, where the offices of the New York State Athletic Commission are located, Hedgemon Lewis, Los Angeles, is the world welterweight champion.

As a matter of cold fact, Jose Napoles, Cuban-born fighter based in Mexico, is the titleholder everywhere else.

Eddie Dooley, chairman of the New York Commission, issued this statement to The Ring:

"By beating Billy Backus in their 15-round fight at Syracuse, Lewis became the world champion.

"The New York Commission took the title from Napoles for failure to live up to a contract to defend the title at Syracuse. By outpointing Backus, Lewis became the world champion.

"When it comes to the necessity of living up to a contract, a world champion is subject to the same obligations as a preliminary fighter. Napoles contracted to come to Syracuse. He failed. Lewis now is the champion."

At first it was reported that the Commission had made Lewis the champion of New York State. However, not being a resident of New York, Lewis could not become the champion of the state. The chairman of the Commission then announced that Lewis had become the world titleholder. (On West 47th St.)

The Ring is quite willing to declare Lewis the champion of West 47th Street.

Movie actor Ryan O'Neal, one of Lewis' backers, unlaces one of Hedgemon's shoes in the dressing room following Lewis' triumph over Backus.

There is no intent here to asperse the abilities of Hedgemon Lewis. Could be he could beat Jose Napoles for the title, and it appears to be a logical pleasant suggestion that Jose and Hedgemon meet to settle the controversy.

In the meantime, Lewis is not the world champion. Napoles is.

When Dooley announced that the New York Commission had dethroned Napoles, he said an elimination tournament would be held to fill the title vacancy.

No elimination competition has been held. Robert Gallois and Roger Menetrey, of France, and Ernie Lopez, of Las Vegas, among others, have not been consulted.

All this is merely the prologue to the fact that the Lewis-Backus fight was merely another 15-round contest, with no title at stake.

Lewis's victory was decisive and emphatic. Referee Arthur Mercante voted 9-6; judge Harold Lederman saw it 8-6-1, and judge Joe Palmer handed in a 7-6-2 card.

The totals came to 24 for Lewis, and 18 for Backus, with 3 even.

It was a good fight, and the 3,943 fans who showed up paid $34,000.

Lewis stowed away the decision with his bag full of points in the first ten

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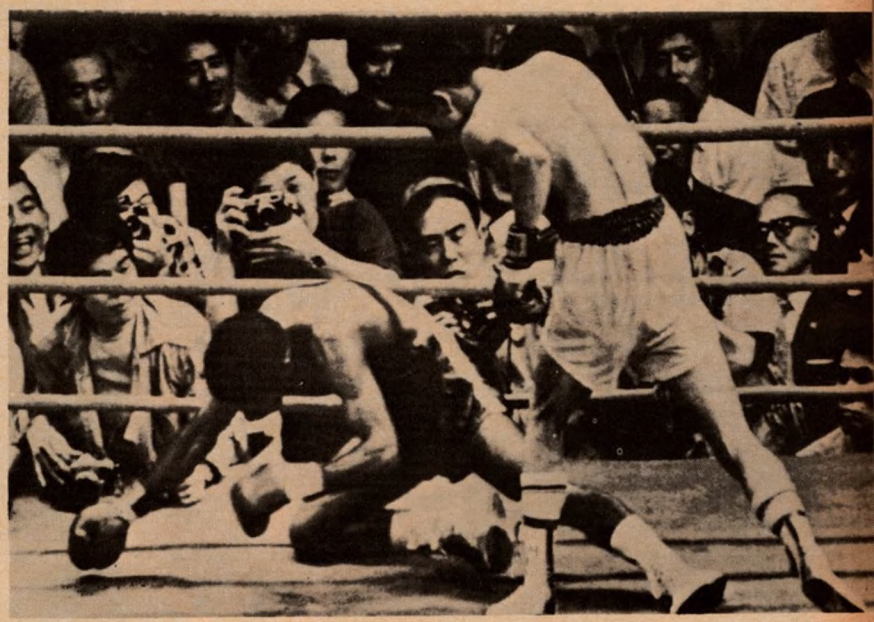
WBA FLYWEIGHT TITLE

OHBA TAKES CARE OF AMORES

By JOE Y. KOIZUMI



Orlando Amores sinks to the canvas after being floored by Masao Ohba in the fifth round of their WBA title contest in Tokyo. Amores was counted out at the two-minute mark of the round.

TOKYO, Japan – Boxing fans here arose from their lethargy – 10,000 of them at the Nihon University Auditorium – to see another of those far too numerous world championship battles that are not for a world title.

Masao Ohba, whom Japan and the sometimes errant WBA call the world flyweight champion, scored affluently in five rounds to dispose of Panama's Orlando Amores.

There was a minute left of the fifth when Ohba, a really fine boxer, who came in at 112 pounds, sent Amores, 111¼, to the showers with his thoughts of supremacy at least delayed.

According to The Ring, the flyweight champion of the world is the Filipino, Erbito Salvarria.

The Ring's ratings call Ohba the top contender, Betulio Gonzalez, of Venezuela, No. 2; Servillo de Oliviera, Brazil, No. 3; and Amores No. 10.

WBC FLYWEIGHT TITLE

GONZALEZ STOPS BATOTO IN FOUR AND MERITS FLY SHOT

By ARTURO HENRIVUEZ

CARACAS, Venezuela – One of the two versions of the flyweight championship of the world, supported by the World Boxing Council, which lacks universal authority, was retained here by Betulio Gonzalez of Venezuela.

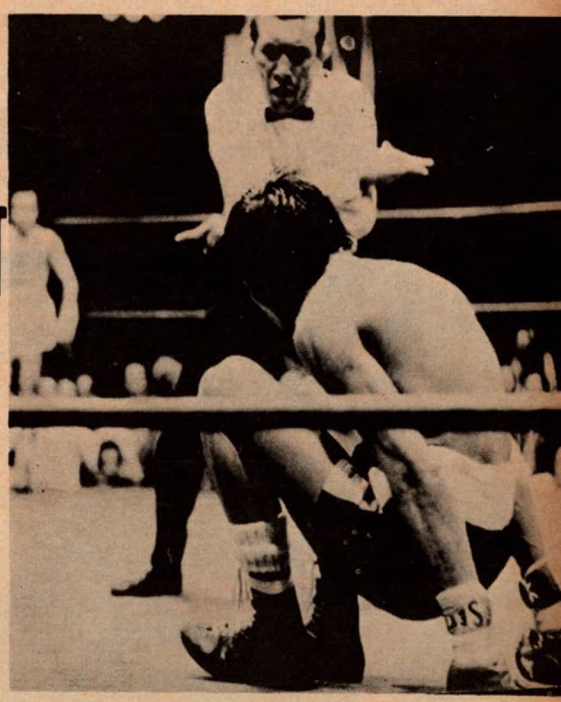
Betulio stopped Socrates Batoto, of the Philippines, in the fourth round.

The Ring recognizes Erbito Salvarria, of the Philippines, as the world champion, despite a hassle which had something to do with sugar water in a title fight.

The Ring ratings showed Batoto in ninth place when he faced Gonzalez.

Gonzalez entered the ring as one of The Ring's top contenders and by his success, he made his position all the stronger. Batoto definitely did not show enough class to gain any strong support as a re-challenger and a return match figure.

Gonzalez' showing against Batoto was only his third fight of the year. He opened 1972 with a six-round KO of Salvatore Lozano at Caracas in Jan. In March, Betulio stopped Willie Pastana in four at Maracaibo.



Socrates Batoto is counted out by the referee in the fourth round of his WBC flyweight title contest against Betulio Gonzalez at Caracas, Venezuela.

EUROPEAN HEAVY TITLE

URTAIN'S DEFEAT BY BLIN LEAVES JOSE IN BAD WAY

By JOSE ALVAREZ

MADRID, SPAIN – Ambitious plans for the Summer arranged for Jose Manuel Urtain, the Basque stone lifter, have gone up in smoke.

Urtain's loss of the heavyweight championship of Europe in a 15-round fight with Germany's Jurgen Blin put the Basque on the shelf, at least for the time being.

There was no question as to who won the fight here. Urtain left the ring with deep cuts over both eyebrows. He had been decked in the fourth and again in the 13th. by good rights. He weighed 198 and so did Blin.

Blin fought well in the last two rounds. The Spanish entry was not as formidable a puncher as he had been in other fights, while Blin was more accurate than usual against a target not making any records for mobility.

There was something going for Urtain while he was the European titleholder but New York is not likely to want him now that he is a man without even the European title.

Just what Blin faces is hard to say. He has no competition at home and apparently will have to look to London for his first defense.

Blin lost to Urtain in 15 rounds in 1970. Jurgen also was beaten by Joe Bugner that same year.

In December 1971, Cassius Clay stopped Blin in seven rounds. Some enthusiasts called it a good fight, as far as it went.

It looks as if Jurgen will have to start all over again in his British portfolio, or fight Dan McAlinden.

Urtain was wide open for Blin's rights in the 15 rounds here. For a 29-year-old, Jurgen looked spry enough.

As for Urtain, the fact is he is not getting any better–an

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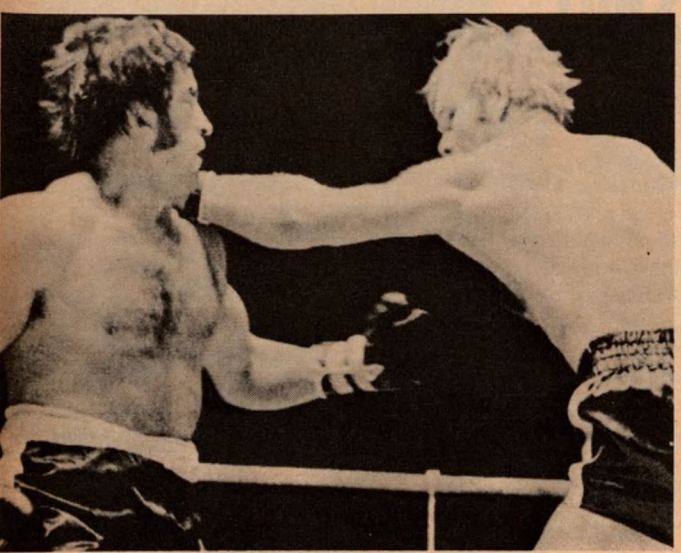
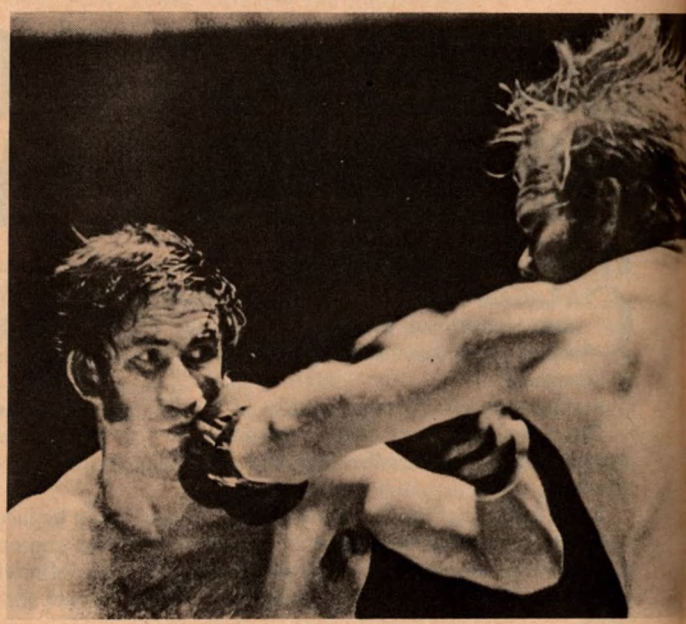
Jose Manuel Ibar Urtain (left) is shaken up when hit by Jurgen Blin's right in the fourth round.





(Left) Blin misses with a long left in the sixth round and seems wide open. (Above) The German didn't miss with this left, however, connecting with the Spaniard's jaw.

California Assemblyman Vincent F. Thomas (right) explains his boxing pension plan to ex-heavyweight king Max Baer's widow, Mary, and his old pilot Ancil Hoffman. Mrs. Baer is the benificiary of an annuity that Hoffman forced Madcap Max to take out during his fighting days. Baer died in 1960.

NEW CALIF. LAW CREATES BOXERS' FUND

By BILL CONLIN

SACRAMENTO, CALIF. – Nobody sees it as cradle-to-the-grave security, nor is it a Utopian solution to the financial problems that beset boxers.

Out here in California some segments of the boxing industry are saluting Assemblyman Vincent Thomas.

It is Thomas, in his 32nd year as a legislator and the senior member of the California Legislature, who put through the bill, signed by Gov. Ronald Reagan, that creates a California boxers' pension and trust fund.

Thomas boxed in college, then coached at Santa Clara.

In his legislative district of San Pedro, which is suburban to Los Angeles, reside two constituent friends of some boxing import. They are lightweights Mando Ramos and Raul Rojas.

"Both made big money and neither took care of it properly," said Thomas. "They freely admit their lavish errors, and now both are boxing to build up another stake.

"This has been the fight game's problem. Many of them receive big money for a year or two, spend it as fast as it rolls in, and then have nothing left."

The assemblyman realizes his pension plan merely scratches the surface. But he thinks it may tend to create savings traits in a sometimes profligate breed.

"It's a step in the right direction," reasons Vince. "I've seen too many broken down boxers. They apall me."

Thomas ran through a long list of one-time big winners who now are on the shorts. "But don't use their names," insisted the legislator. "Why embarrass people who simply never had the experience nor the training to handle important money?"

At the other end of the scale, Thomas pointed to heavyweight champion Max Baer, who was taken in hand by his manager, Ancil Hoffman, and forced into making annuity payments.

At Max's death in 1960, the widow and three children commenced to draw $15,000 annually.

Altogether, Thomas put through four legislative bills, and each was signed into law by Governor Reagan. One increased the powers of California Athletic Commission, another lowered the minimum age of registered amateur boxers from 17 to 16 years, the third tightened the state commission's regulation of closed circuit TV and increased the state revenue therefrom. And, finally, there was Assembly Bill 2455, creating the pension and trust fund.

Thomas got his bills passed virtually unanimously, and this in a Legislature which sometimes has been unfriendly to professional boxing and where occasionally anti-boxing bills have popped up.

His fellow solons not only trusted Vince with complete confidence, but deferred in areas where his experience made him pre-eminent.

It was a reflection of the attitude by his voters in San Pedro. They call their most prominent bit of architecture, a span over a portion of Los Angeles harbor, the Vincent F. Thomas Bridge.

In pushing through his legislation, Thomas took advantage of the current state of boxing prosperity in California. Through live shows and the tax on closed circuit television bouts, the state's athletic commission was able to turn over $398,000 to the general fund for the fiscal year 1970-71. The commission's budget for the current year is $152,800.

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WORLD RATINGS

By NAT LOUBET

HEAVYWEIGHTS
(over 175 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
JOE FRAZIER, Philadelphia, Pa.
1–**CASSIUS CLAY,** Cherry Hill, N.J.
2–**GEORGE FOREMAN,** Hayward, Calif.
3–**FLOYD PATTERSON,** New Paltz, N.Y.
4–**JERRY QUARRY,** Los Angeles, Calif.
5–**JOSE LUIS GARCIA,** Venezuela
6–**OSCAR BONAVENA,** Argentina
7–**GREGORIO PERALTA,** Argentina
8–**JIMMY ELLIS,** Louisville, Ky.
9–**LARRY MIDDLETON,** Baltimore, Md.
10–**JURGEN BLIN,** Germany

LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHTS
(not over 175 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
BOB FOSTER, Washington, D.C.
1–**CHRIS FINNEGAN,** England
2–**ANDY KENDALL,** Portland, Ore.
3–**PAT O'CONNOR,** Rochester, Minn.
4–**PIERRE FOURIE,** South Africa
5–**MIKE QUARRY,** Los Angeles, Calif.
6–**EDDIE OWENS,** Pittsfield, Mass.
7–**VICENTE RONDON,** Venezuela
8–**SAREL AUCAMP,** South Africa
9–**AVENAMAR PERALTA,** Argentina
10–**JIMMY DUPREE,** Jersey City, N.J.

MIDDLEWEIGHTS
(not over 180 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
CARLOS MONZON, Argentina
1–**EMILE GRIFFITH,** New York, N.Y.
2–**MIGUEL de OLIVIERA,** Brazil
3–**JEAN-CLAUDE BOUTTIER,** France
4–**KOICHI WAJIMA,** Japan
5–**BENNIE BRISCOE,** Philadelphia, Pa.
6–**TONY MUNDINE,** Australia
7–**TOM BOGS,** Denmark
8–**NATE COLLINS,** San Francisco, Calif.
9–**BUNNY STERLING,** England
10–**LUIS VINALES,** Puerto Rico

WELTERWEIGHTS
(not over 147 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
JOSE NAPOLES, Mexico
1–**HEDGEMON LEWIS,** Detroit, Mich.
2–**ROGER MENETREY,** France
3–**BILLY BACKUS,** Syracuse, N.Y.
4–**ADOLPH PRUITT,** St. Louis, Mo.
5–**ERNIE LOPEZ,** Las Vegas, Nev.
6–**CLYDE GRAY,** Canada
7–**JACK TILLMAN,** New Orleans, La.
8–**RYU SORIMACHI,** Japan
9–**ARMANDO MUNIZ,** Los Angeles, Calif.
10–**BUDDY BOGGS,** Baltimore, Md.

JUNIOR WELTERWEIGHTS
(not over 140 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
ALFONSO FRAZER, Panama
1–**BRUNO ARCARI,** Italy
2–**EDDIE PERKINS,** Chicago, Ill.
3–**RODOLFO GONZALEZ,** Long Beach, Calif.
4–**NOCOLINO LOCHE,** Argentina
5–**JOAO HENRIQUE,** Brazil
6–**CARLOS GIMENEZ,** Argentina
7–**ROGER ZAMI,** France
8–**PIERO CERU,** Italy
9–**CARLOS ORTIZ,** New York, N.Y.
10–**VICTOR ORTIZ,** Puerto Rico

ROBERTO DURAN FIGHTER OF THE MONTH

HAVING stopped Ken Buchanan and taken the lightweight championship from the hitherto elusive Scot, Roberto Duran, from Panama, is the Fighter of the Month.

Until Roberto went to work on Buchanan in New York, Carlos Monzon, middleweight champion, who had defended his world title successfully with a 13-round KO of Jean Claude Bouttier, had the distinction sewed up.

But along came the surprising Duran, and Monzon was ousted in the competition for the distinctive designation.

Cassius Clay made himself a No. 3 entry with his easy handling of Jerry Quarry.

Monzon's defeat resulted in a return of Emile Griffith to the top of the list of 160-pound challengers. A fight between Monzon and Emile has been proposed to both men by a Sydney, Australia, promoter.

Bouttier's defeat dropped him to No. 3, with Miguel de Oliviera, from Brazil, moving into the No. 2 spot.

Examination of the heavyweight ratings shows a few changes resulting from quite recent fights.

It will be noted, for one thing, that Mac Foster has been dropped from the Top Ten, his place going to Jurgen Blin, who defeated Jose Urtain for the heavyweight championship of Europe.

Urtain was reported to be headed for New York for a big chance. But his defeats by Joe Roman and Blin dropped him into the background.

Jimmy Ellis has been lifted into the No. 8 spot, which marks considerable progress for a man who had been dropped because of lack of action.

RATINGS FOR THE MONTH ENDING JULY 15, 1972

LIGHTWEIGHTS
(not over 135 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
ROBERTO DURAN, Panama
1–**KEN BUCHANAN,** Scotland
2–**MANDO RAMOS,** Long Beach, Calif.
3–**PEDRO CARRASCO,** Spain
4–**ANTONIO PUDDU,** Italy
5–**CHANGO CARMONA,** Mexico
6–**ESTABAN DeJESUS,** Puerto Rico
7–**RAY LAMPKIN,** Portland, Ore.
8–**RUBEN NAVARRO,** Los Angeles, Calif.
9–**AL FORD,** Canada
10–**RAUL VENERDINI,** Argentina

JUNIOR LIGHTWEIGHTS
(not over 130 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
BEN VILLAFLOR, Philippines
1–**SAMMY GOSS,** Trenton, N.J.
2–**JOSE LUIS LOPEZ,** Mexico
3–**ALFREDO MARCANO,** Venezuela
4–**FRANKIE OTERO,** Miami, Fla.
5–**LOVE ALLOTEY,** Ghana
6–**TOMMASO GALLI,** Italy
7–**FRANKIE CRAWFORD,** Los Angeles, Calif.
8–**VICTOR ECHEGARAY,** Argentina
9–**JOSE FERNANDEZ,** Dominican Rep.
10–**WILLIAM MARTINEZ,** Nicaragua

FEATHERWEIGHTS
(not over 126 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
CLEMENTE SANCHEZ, Mexico
1–**RICARDO ARREDONDO,** Mexico
2–**ERNESTO MARCEL,** Panama
3–**EDER JOFRE,** Brazil
4–**KUNIAKI SHIBATA,** Japan
5–**JOSE LEGRA,** Spain
6–**ANTONIO GOMEZ,** Venezuela
7–**ARNOLD TAYLOR,** South Africa
8–**BOB ALLOTEY,** Ghana
9–**BERT NABALATAN,** Philippines
10–**JESUS ALONSO,** Mexico

BANTAMWEIGHTS
(not over 118 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
RAFAEL HERRERA, Mexico
1–**RODOLFO MARTINEZ,** Mexico
2–**RUBEN OLIVARES,** Mexico
3–**ENRIQUE PINDER,** Panama
4–**CHUCHU CASTILLO,** Mexico
5–**OCTAVIO GOMEZ,** Mexico
6–**AUGUSTIN SENIN,** Spain
7–**ALAN RUDKIN,** England
8–**CHARTCHAI CHIONOI,** Thailand
9–**ROMERO ANAYA,** Mexico
10–**ROGELIO LARA,** Mexico

FLYWEIGHTS
(not over 112 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
ERBITO SALVARRIA, Philippines
1–**MASAO OHBA,** Japan
2–**BETULIO GONZALEZ,** Venezuela
3–**SERVILLO de OLIVIERA,** Brazil
4–**VENICH BORKORSOR,** Thailand
5–**FRITZ CHERVET,** Switzerland
6–**MIGUEL CANTO,** Mexico
7–**RICARDO DELGADO,** Mexico
8–**LORENZO GUTIERREZ,** Mexico
9–**SOCRATES BATOTO,** Philippines
10–**ORLANDO AMORES,** Panama

Jose Luis Garcia retains his hold on No. 5. Garcia is the mystery man of the heavyweight ratings, as he is little known outside of his Venezuelan base. That he has the class necessary for No. 5 is stressed by all authorities but it would be interesting to see him come all the way North to New York and prove his skills.

The student of light heavyweight ratings will find some changes. For one, the distinction of being the top contender has been shifted to Chris Finnegan, of Great Britain, from Andy Kendall.

Of interest to South Africa is the fact that the class shows two entries from that part of the world–Pierre Fourie and Sarel Aucamp.

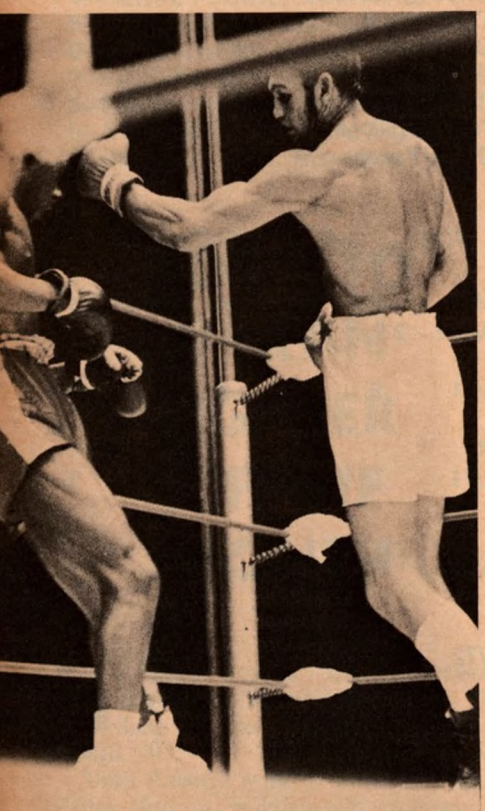
There is a lot of rivalry between those two camps in the land of the Boers. There is only one way to settle this rivalry, and that is to have them meet.

PROSPECTS FOR THE MONTH

Names	Pro Debut	Total Bouts	Won	Lost	Draws	KO's
HEAVYWEIGHT						
Jerry Houston New Bedford, Mass.	6/71	5	5	0	0	3
LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHT						
Casey Gacic Parma, Ohio	12/71	5	4	0	1	1
MIDDLEWEIGHT						
George Mankins Parma, Ohio	6/72	7	5	2	0	2
WELTERWEIGHT						
Antonio Durango Panama	1/72	10	9	1	0	7
LIGHTWEIGHT						
Zovek Barajas Mexico	11/71	13	13	0	0	11
FEATHERWEIGHT						
Bobby Chacon Pacoima, Calif.	4/72	5	5	0	0	5
BANTAMWEIGHT						
Johnny Moreno San Antonio, Texas	6/71	8	7	1	0	4
FLYWEIGHT						
Conrado Boy Vasquez Philippines	1/72	10	10	0	0	5

"I CAN TAKE MONZON," DECLARES MUNDINE

Mundine seems to be strutting as he knocks out Billy Choules to capture the Australian middleweight championship.



Bunny Sterling backs away from a Mundine left. Tony stopped his foe and took the Commonwealth crown in the process. They fought a draw the first time they met.

By DAN DANIEL

(Photos, courtesy Fighter Magazine, Australia)

WHILE Carlos Monzon, middleweight champion of the world, was stopping Jean Claude Bouttier in 13 rounds in Colombes Stadium near Paris, Tony Mundine, Australia's standout middleweight, Ern McQuillan, his manager, and Ed Silver, promoter at the new Sydney Stadium, sat at the ringside.

The trio had made the long trip from Australia to make an offer to Monzon to come to Sydney.

Monzon had received $130,000 at Colombes, and $60,000 at Rome for the fifth-round KO of Denny Moyer last March.

The negotiations for a Monzon-Mundine fight apparently were aiming at a guarantee between the Colombes and Rome fees for a defense against the Australian.

On the way from Paris to Sydney, Mundine, McQuillan and Silver stopped in New York, visited The Ring offices, and had a talk with Gil Clancy and Emile Griffith for the former champion's appearance against Tony Down Under.

Mundine's visit to The Ring revealed a rangy, soft spoken, earnest young man just arrived at the age of 21.

"I want to fight Monzon," Mundine said. "I am not given to boasting. But I believe I can beat Carlos. He is a true champion. But he has some flaws, and they lead me to believe that I can take him."

"I could beat Monzon because he is not real class," Tony continued.

"Carlos is a bowler, an overhand puncher, and he is slow. He is an open target. Strong? Yes. Menacing right hand? Yes. World beating power jab? I did not see it against Bouttier.

"The way Monzon drops his hands he invites trouble.

"The Argentinian is flat-footed, does not move around much, and is a slow starter.

"He is not an infighter. There weren't more than half a dozen body punches in the Bouttier fight.

"Whom did Monzon remind me of? Well, I beat a heavyweight named Foster Bibron who in many ways resembled the Argentinian's style and method.

"Do I believe, confidently that I could stop Monzon? Yes, I do.

"I hope that Silver and McQuillan can satisfy his demands. Negotiations may be eased by the fact that Carlos keeps all the revenue obtained for South American television."

"I understand that The Ring man in Australia questions my ability to take a punch," Tony continued.

"His doubts are based on the fact that I have suffered two knockouts.

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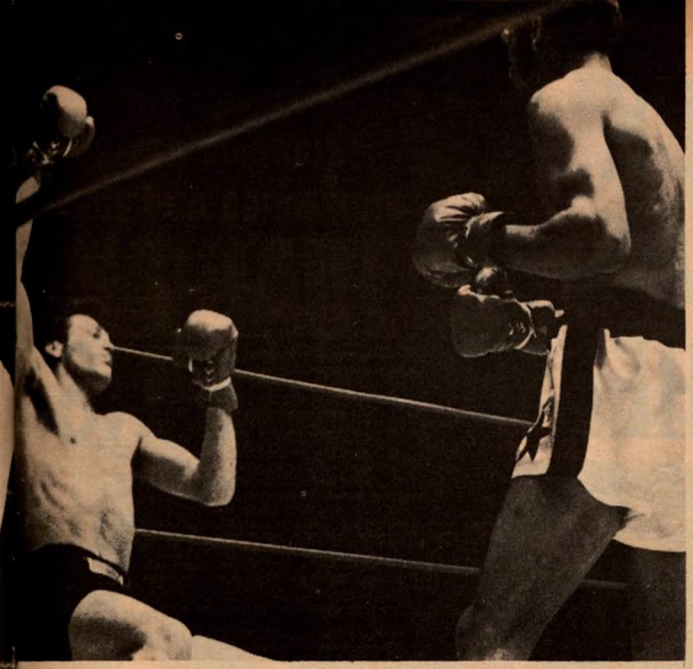
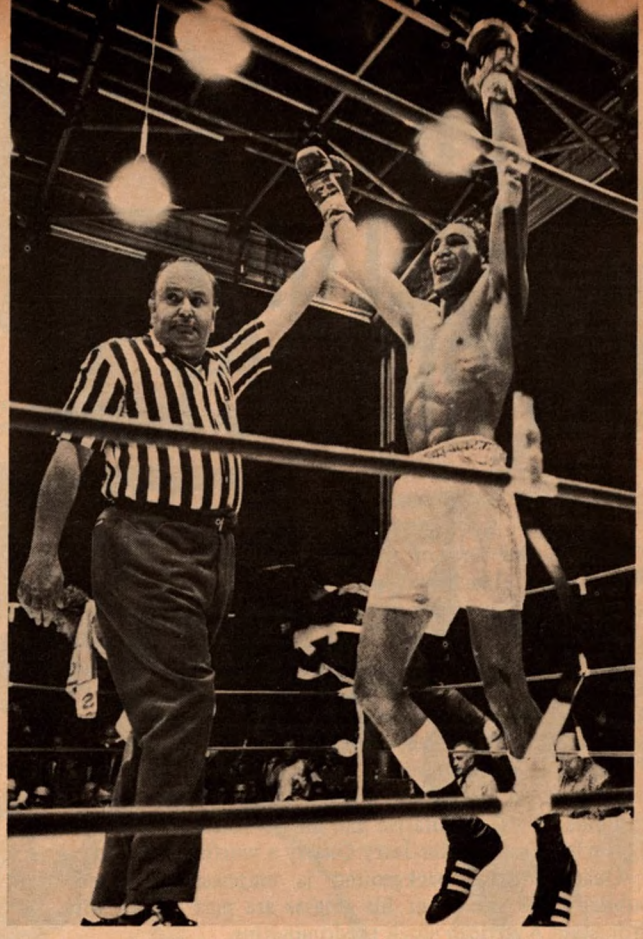


Eric Blake is about to hit the canvas after taking a pummeling from Mundine, who stopped his man in the third round.



Referee Jay Edison raises an ecstatic Mundine's arm in victory after he stopped Sterling in the 15th round.

Ring's Australian Critic Questions Mundine's Ability To Take A Punch

By RAY MITCHELL

SYDNEY, Australia.—"Tony Mundine is a better boxer than Carlos Monzon. He's a better fighter than Monzon. He will beat Monzon if he can take a punch."

So said Sid Flaherty after the Australian and British Commonwealth middleweight champion had pulverized Sid's meal-ticket, Denny Moyer, to a seventh-round defeat here.

Flaherty's observation about the relative merits of Mundine and Monzon were heartening to Australian boxing fans, but the key is in the last phrase, "if he can take a punch".

Tony has everything a world champion needs except the jaw of La Motta. That important item was overlooked by the Almighty, as first Maori Kahu Mahanga, then Cuban Luis Rodriguez proved.

There have been other times when Tony has been sat on his shiny satin white trunks—but he got off them quickly. He has been staggered—once he even heard bells before they rang.

But you have to hand the rest to Tony. He punches very well, he is fast—blindingly fast—with his hands, he moves forward swiftly, he boxes well—and he is exciting.

If he does take the world title he'll be the most exciting middleweight champion since Rocky Graziano—if we overlook the brilliance of the greatest of them all, Sugar Ray.

The Tony Mundine saga began when the shy aboriginal boy, third of nine children (six boys, three girls) came to the Big Smoke of Sydney from the northern New South Wales town of Grafton to play football with an aboriginal team called All Blacks.

Manager Ern McQuillan, who has a built-in radar where potential fight drawcards are concerned, saw him, signed him and set him on the path to three titles and a world rating by the time he was 21.

It was McQuillan who managed Vic Patrick, one of the three greatest idols among Australia's all-time fighting sons—Les Darcy and Lionel Rose being the others.

Mundine is the second boxer Ern has taken from scratch to Australian titles. But he took 24 others—after they had started elsewhere—and won 33 Australian, four Australasian (competition between Australia and New Zealand) and three British Commonwealth titles with his 26 champions.

Football went overboard for Mundine as soon as McQuillan signed him for his first professional fight (he had had one amateur bout). "Football and fighting don't mix," propounded the portly Ern.

On March 5, 1969, the 18-year-old Mundine outpointed Frank Graham over four rounds at North Sydney Leagues Club. That was his debut, and a creditable one, as Graham had been a top-ranking amateur.

On April 9, Tony had his second pro start, this time knocking out Graham in the third round of a scheduled six. From then on Mundine did a Joe Louis in that every time he had a return bout, he won easier and more decisively than before.

For example, there was Ted McKenzie, who had been a State amateur champion, had had 67 fights while wearing a singlet, and as a pro had worked his way to number four

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PIONEER STOCK VITAL IN DEVELOPMENT OF AMERICAN SUPREMACY IN HEAVIER RANKS

By TED CARROLL

SINCE the turn of the century, the late arrivals to this country, (blacks excepted) have been the main source of supply in professional boxing. Fame and fortune—rarely obtainable elsewhere—attracted youngsters of Irish, Italian, Jewish and Polish extraction into the ring in large numbers. Among the earlier settlers, sometimes referred to as "native Americans", more comfortably situated than the struggling new arrivals, there was no similar response.

But the pioneer strain is hardy and while their ring representation could not approach that of the "ethnics" in numbers, it was qualitative and has persisted up to the present day, with West Coaster Jerry Quarry a worthy standard bearer.

Quarry's Irish background is emphasized, largely for publicity purposes, but his origins are part Indian with old Protestant American stock predominating.

Invariably good boxing prospects emerging from the South, Southwest, Middlewest or Northwest with antecedents going back to the beginnings of the nation are big men. The American "heartland" is heavyweight country. There have been exceptions like Indiana's Bud Taylor, the "Terre Haute Terror", one of the better bantamweight champions. But the hopes of the hinterland usually aim for the biggest prize.

In three cases since 1899, this goal has been attained, a creditable record. Jim Jeffries, the Boilermaker, a native Ohioan, turned the trick in '99 to be followed by Kansas Giant Jess Willard "The Tall Pine of the Pottawatomie" in 1915. The succession was topped by the dynamic "Manassa Mauler" Jack Dempsey, Colorado born in 1919. Jack's ancestors roamed the hills of West Virginia in the times of Daniel Boone. Some might include Marvin Hart, a Kentuckian, but Hart's title credentials, largely based upon his personal nomination by abdicated champion Jeffries, were not generally conceded.

Whether the expansiveness of the "American Dream"; the limitless prairies, wide open spaces; towering mountains or our historical bent for bigness led to the concentration on heavyweights among the "sons of the pioneers" or whatever, that's the way it has been.

The records reveal many old line Anglo-Saxon names in the heavyweight listings. Carl Morris, the "Sapulpa Engineer", first of the "White Hopes"; Fred Fulton, the "Pallid Plasterer" from Minnesota; Babe Hunt, part Indian Oklahoman and predominantly Indian Junior Munsell; Bud Gorman (Earl W. Lovejoy); Gunboat Smith; Jeffries, Hart and Willard: Tuffy Griffiths; Captain Bob, Tom and Jack Roper from Virginia; Centre College football player Sully Montgomery; Homer Smith; Utah Mormon Rex Layne; old time Louis foe Harry Thomas; Walter Cobb; Ford Smith of Montana; and, more recently, Boone Kirkman.

All of these came from families who grew up with the country long ago. The light heavyweight class is next in line for descendants of the early settlers. Jack Dillon (Ernest Cutler Price) the "Indiana Bearcat" was one of the best; Southerners Joe Knight, Bob Godwin and Ben Brown; rough and ready Indianan Chuck Wiggins; Northwesterner Harry Matthews; Coloradoan George Manley; and long ago celebrity Kid McCoy, born Norman Selby, another Indianan, all had family roots deep in the American past.

Jeff Smith, great middleweight of the World War I period had ancestors who fought in the American revolution. His real name was Jerome Jefferds. Former middleweight champion Gene Fullmer and brother Don had forebears who were part of the great Mormon trek in the 19th century.

Ace Hudkins, the "Nebraska Wildcat", one of the toughest men to step into a ring, and the rugged Lee brothers, Glen and Don, were Nebraskans whose ancestors went west in covered wagon days.

One time lightweight champion Willie Ritchie (Geary Steffen) now past his 79th milestone and long ago featherweight king Young Corbett (William Rothwell) are listed as "native American" in the record book as is old time welterweight king Rube Ferns.

Current Michigan boxing commissioner and one-time college champion Chuck Davey, who fought Kid Gavilan for the welterweight title; Minnesotan King Tut (Henry Tuttle); Southern bantam Pappy Gault, midwest lightweight Wesley Ramey and southpaw lightweight contender of the Fifties Kenny Lane are also so identified.

Throughout the world there is no more positive symbol of the American past than the cowboy, and boxers who adopted that appellation were generally the offspring of many generations of Americans. Cowboy George Courtney; Cowboy Eddie Anderson; Cowboy Ruben Shank; Cowboy Babe McGorgary; Cowboy Luttrell and Cowboy Padgett come to mind as westerners who, whatever the validity of their nicknames, identified themselves as range riders.

Of this group Cowboy George Courtney was the best. He was a middle and light heavy out of Oklahoma, part Indian, former All-State football player, protege of old time heavyweight Sam McVey and son of a former fighter. He might have become a champion with better breaks.

Cowboy Eddie Anderson was a little fellow who fought from 118 to 130 lbs; a good boxer but one more given to putting on a good show than becoming a champion. Cowboy Padgett was a welterweight who fought a lot of tough men, among them Mickey Walker.

Sixty years ago, Jack Johnson, as heavyweight champion of the world, caused tremors in the U.S. heartland, thereby sowing the seeds of the "white hope" wackiness. Oklahoman Carl Morris became the flagbearer of this frenzy, set in motion by the racist rantings of novelist Jack London. Strapping farmboys from the backcountry; millhands; lumberjacks; town bullies and assorted huskies, many of early settler stock found little but disillusionment and ridicule in the "crusade" to dethrone the first black heavyweight champion. Willard did

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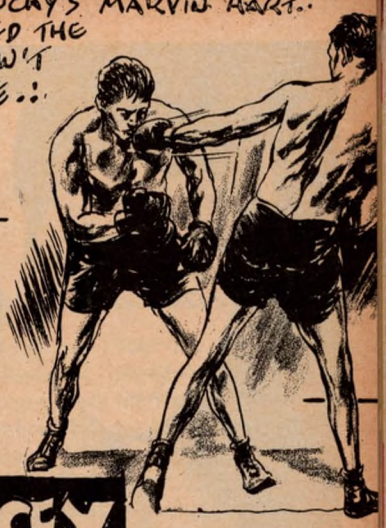
DEMPSEY LEADS PARADE

Jack DILLON WAS KNOWN AS THE INDIANA GIANT-KILLER!

KENTUCKY'S MARVIN HART CLAIMED THE HEAVYW'T TITLE..!



JACK DEMPSEY

IN 1915.. BIG Jess.. WILLARD "THE KANSAS GIANT"... WON THE HEAVYWEIGHT TITLE FROM JACK JOHNSON..!

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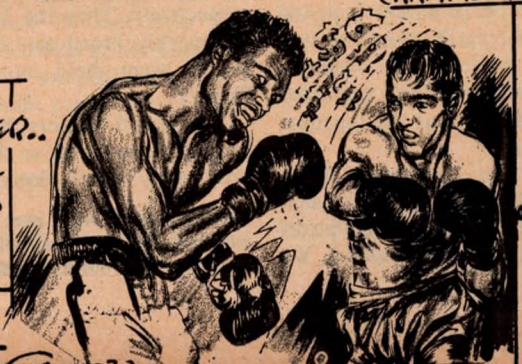

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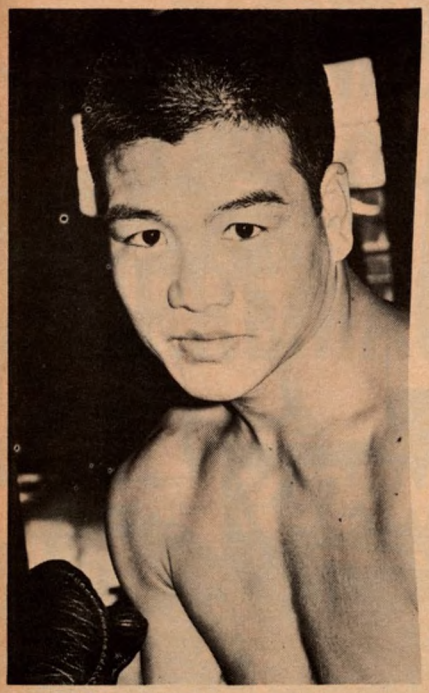

Kuniaki Shibata, ex-featherweight king, is one of the mighty Japanese who have fallen.

Sho Saijo is happy as a lark here after defeating Raul Rojas to capture the WBA feather crown in 1968, but he lost his so-called crown on a KO by Antonio Gomez in 1971.

Big Trouble In Japan Due To Decline And Fall Of Heroes

By JOE Y. KOIZUMI

TOKYO, JAPAN – Ring readers keen about fight results in Japan know that Japanese topnotchers are decreasing in numbers.

A decline in Japan's boxing began last year. On July 29, 1971, Hiroshi Kobayashi was dethroned by Venezuela's Alfredo Marcano, who knocked out the Japanese favorite in the 10th in Tokyo.

On September 2, Shozo Saijo, the best attraction here, was also kayoed, by Antonio Gomez, to lose the WBA's version of the 126-pound leadership. Though Sho was not called champion by The Ring, the lanky scrappy guy always drew a sellout crowd.

On October 10, Mexico's Ricardo Arredondo flattened Yoshiaki Numata, WBC's titlist in the 130-pound class, to wrest that version from the fading Japanese.

On October 25, Ruben Olivares, then world bantam ruler, stopped Kazuyoshi Kanazawa, Japanese Oriental titlist in that class, in 14 rounds.

On November 10, Kuniaki Shibata, who had won from Vicente Saldivar via a 13 round KO in 1970, barely kept his featherweight laurels, as he was held to a disputed draw by Ernesto Marcel, Panama, in 15 rounds. Shebata appeared to be behind on points, but the Japanese judges voted for him.

Truly Japan lost the top fighters mentioned, because Kobayashi, Kanazawa and Numata had passed their peaks and decided to hang up their gloves. We fight fans in Japan lost heroes of the Boxing Hall, Korakuen.

As for financial help by TV companies, they had supported the game strongly in the prosperous era of Japan's days of ring greatness and popular response.

There were three TV companies which presented nationwide programs–NTV, TBS and Fuji TV. Their weekly programs were called Dynamic Fight Glove, Champion Scout and Golden Glove respectively. Then the TV's quit showing the weekly broadcasts of bouts, most of which were held in Korakuen Hall, Tokyo.

As crowd-pleasers like Harada, Fuji and Ebihara retired, so the research about how many people looked at boxing on their home screen grew lower and lower.

The TV programs of boxing had consisted of influential promoters, and TV sports directors whose chief concerns were the percentage due to the sponsors' strong support.

At first, TBS, whose cards of Champion Scout was controlled by Iwao Kodaka, chief of Kyokuto Promotion and manager of Yoshiaki Numata, decided to broadcast only 'title bouts' by Numata, Orient lightweight ruler Shinichi Kadota and WBC champ Koichi Wajima. But the weekly 'Champion Scout' went off home screens.

The Dynamic Glove, oldest TV fight showing in Nippon, tried hard to maintain broadcasting by VIP's including remale promoter Haru Nagano, as it was

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Ex-junior lightweight boss Hiroshi Kobayashi was dethroned by Venezuela's Alfredo Marcano in July, 1971.

UP AND DOWN

Old Broadway

By SAM TAUB

RING #21, Brooklyn, founded by its President, Paul Berlenbach, paid homage to its standard bearer with a get together of more than 500 at Club 802, in Brooklyn. The occasion honored him for recent induction into the "Boxing Hall of Fame."

The party started at 4 o'clock and wound up at 10 the next morning. Not only did Ring #21 come out en masse, with women folk, but they came from other rings in New York and from across the Hudson River.

It was another stellar dais, the same as we saw a week earlier at Ring #8 when they honored Dr. Charles Gellman, at the Hotel Statler. . .Nothing was left undone, thanks to the work of Sammy Markowitz, Chairman Emeritus of the Board, and current Chairman, Sammy Venti, who did a swell job introducing the dais and other folks from boxing seated in the audience, assisted by Joe Mulli and Steve Riggio.

There was never an idle moment. After a wonderful meal, the business at hand was cleared up. Sam Venti was brought into the picture by Markowitz and he turned in a nifty in presenting the celebrities. Sharing the spotlight with the guest of honor were Mickey Walker, Lou Salica, Phil Terranova, Petey Scalzo, Solly Seeman, Two Ton Tony Galento, Adrian Bailey, Scoop Gallello, president of International Veteran Boxers, Dan Sabian, president of Westchester's Ring #30, Ruby Goldstein, President of New York's Ring #8, Willie LaMorte, from New Jersey and Harry Barrone, president of New Jersey's Ring #14.

Then came the presentation to Berlenbach of a plaque. Then another surprise, a plaque to Sammy Venti, for his efforts in behalf of Ring #21.

To cap the great affair there was a show that was appearing at 802, a fine band and plenty of dancing. All on hand had a great time and they made the 71-year-old Paul feel like a boy again. Mickey Walker got a rousing send-off when he did a dance number.

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Ran into an old-time favorite, Charley Beecher, former bantam and featherweight, now 72. His manager was Lew Diamond when he quit the amateurs and later Phil Bernstein. Also remembers when Jimmy Johnston had him for one fight but had to tell him to get another mentor as he was busy running automobile races. Had 78 amateur fights, winning 20 tournaments, and 78 pro battles, memorable bouts being a no-decision fight with Joe Lynch, at the Oakland A.A., in Jersey City, the afternoon Jack Dempsey was becoming heavyweight king in kayoing Jess Willard at Toledo. . . Also boxed Andy Chaney, of Baltimore, fifteen rounds in Madison Avenue Garden in 1921. Now a runner in Wall St.

PAUL BERLENBACH

Still talks about brother Willie, who was a lightweight, and fought for 14 years. Among those he met were Abe Attell and Young Corbett at the Longacre A.C. He believes he was Battling Nelson's last opponent. Willie passed on 13 years ago.

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Many will recall Toby Tobias, a lightweight and welter, who saw action from 1937 to 1940. His manager was Dane Menendez, out of Washington, D.C. Toby remembers his fighting days when Lou Ambers, lightweight champion, was a big attraction. After he quit the ring, Tobias joined the Army. He works for the U.S. Government in Washington, D.C.

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Remember Mickey Shaw. He was a heavyweight boxer. But few remember that he was with the Ebbets Field gang when the Brooklyn Dodgers were there and knew all of the stars of his era. Recently, Mickey was M.C. for the Multiple Sclerosis Organization affair held at the Hotel Hilton. Now he's in the entertainment field and is an active member of Ruby Goldstein's Ring #8.

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Sammy Venti and Petey Hayes, Ring #21, Brooklyn, put on lots of boxing shows for churches during the year. Petey's relative was a great featherweight –also Petey Hayes–who once decisioned Kid Chocolate. Petey Hayes and Bobby (Spider) Wagner, turned in a sellout benefit boxing show which they presented at the Regina Youth Center in Brooklyn.

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A popular figure on the sport beat is former boxer Howard Clark, who was born in New York and will be 60 on Oct. 2. He had 80 fights, 40 as an amateur. Saw action from 1929 to 1937. The late Moe Fields was his manager and his trainer was Ray Arcel. He and his wife Eula still living in New York have one child, Howard W. Clark, Jr. What he remembers best is that he sparred with ten world champions–Tony Canzoneri, Lou Ambers, Jimmy McLarnin, Ceferino Garcia, Solly Krieger, Ken Overlin, John Henry Lewis and Teddy Yarosz. . .Also boxed with Black Bill, the Cuban flyweight. Remembers he once got the duke over Eddie Ran, European star.

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Frankie (Jay) Jacobs, associated with Jack Singer's Flame Steaks, whose hobby

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PUNCH LINES

LIKES THE CLAY PORTFOLIO

AS an admirer of Muhammad Ali, fighter and man, I was delighted and surprised by your extensive coverage of his Japan trip, via pictures. The camera portfolio of the Louisville rebel was a fine tribute to him, and to The Ring's sense of circulation advancement.

You have to hand it to Clay, as you insist on calling him, for keeping boxing—North American heavyweight boxing, in particular—to the fore.

What would The Ring do if this man suddenly chucked the fight business and left the game with Joe Frazier? I have no complaint about Joe or Durham. But they have no idea of advertising, of ballyhoo, of publicity values.

I think you would be doing boxing a big favor if you ran other camera portfolios like the Tokyo collection. The fans like pictures. As the Chinese of old had it, one picture is worth 1000 words.

Incidentally, your 50th anniversary Ring issue was a beauty. Well written, well illustrated, it was perhaps the best Ring ever published.

Zane Gibbs
Dallas, Tex.

FRAZIER AND HIS TYPE

Now and then you prod Joe Frazier for being Joe Frazier. He is what he is and you cannot change him. He likes it private. He likes it quiet and he will not go on the air night after night popping off.

I am not criticizing Cassius Clay for popping off. He certainly keeps the boxing iron hot. He sometimes makes outrageous statements and he still keeps telling his listeners that he beat Frazier. Well, let him keep right on saying it. We know it is plain bunk.

Frazier is a type. He likes to escape the hurrah of the crowd and the glare of the spotlight.

Take Frazier for what he is. Stop trying to turn him into a talker. Stop remaking a man who wants to be what he is.

The day Frazier disappears from the ring, that day you will be very sorry. I mean the Frazier as you have Frazier in his present makeup.

Louis La Grange Florient
Beaufort, S.C.

HE LIKES PATTERSON

Lately there have been too many comments from so-called boxing experts that it is time for Floyd Patterson to retire from the ring. I have to disagree with their judgement.

Personally, I consider Floyd, even at the age of 37, quite capable of handling any heavyweight around today and that includes Joe Frazier. After 20 years as a professional, Floyd is still rated highly in The Ring's monthly ratings.

While he is not the great fighter he once was, nevertheless his vast experience and great conditioning make him a formidable opponent. His hand speed is still the fastest I've ever seen among the heavyweights. The boxing game could use a lot more fighters like Patterson, who is a credit to the sport, and a real gentleman.

Thomas J. Caterino
Dumont, New Jersey

QUESTIONS FOREMAN'S RATING

As an old follower of The Ring, I'd like to commend you on your excellent publication. One thing puzzles me though. It is not only The Ring, but other boxing periodicals and the consensus of quite a few fight fans concerning the rating given to George Foreman.

For a fighter whose biggest triumph was a three-round TKO of a washed up George Chuvalo and two unimpressive victories of an over-the-weight Greg Peralta, who should stay in the light heavyweight division, why is he continuously rated amongst top notch fighters as Jerry Quarry, Oscar Bonavena and others? Even if he were put in the ring with someone comparable to Ken Norton or Mac Foster it would be the end of his long stride of victories of 'nobodies'.

But to hear of a possible Quarry-Foreman tilt, seems utterly ridiculous. Jerry would waste no time in ending the Foreman myth. So as 'Ring Bible' please make it known that Foreman is not suited to hold a rating that he presently holds.

A1C Kevin Both
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HE NO LIKE JACKSON

There seems to be a trend in your magazine to flatter Negro self-deceit and conceit. A flagrant example is Martin Siegel's article "PETER JACKSON, BLACK TITAN" which appeared in your May issue. Author Siegel, in trying to make his case for Peter Jackson, sins by omission and commission when discussing Jackson's fight with James J. Corbett.

Firstly, and very importantly, Siegel edits out the fact that Jackson *outweighed Corbett by 30 pounds!*

Secondly, he chooses to interpret Corbett's refusal to finish off an exhausted Jackson in the 61st round as a plus for Jackson, i.e., Corbett was probably afraid to close in. Nonsense.

Corbett (who was also exhausted but in better shape at the end) gallantly refused to knock out a great opponent, thereby earning the wrath of the officials who weren't too keen on mixed matches in the first place. His stupid action also cost him the winner's share of the purse. Jackson was indeed a great fighter, but so was the less experienced, 30 pounds lighter Corbett.

Why didn't Corbett give Jackson a shot at the title? Ask the promoters of those days, for whom money and public opinion (from whence money came) were all important.

Anthony Ahearn
New York

A PLUG FOR NO. 50

My copy of the 50th Anniversary number of the Ring arrived a few days ago, and am sure many congratulations are coming your way from all parts of the world.

It is a beautiful edition, and covers many subjects and scenes familiar to me and thousands of others, pages from the past and present, well presented by informed writers, cartoonists and correspondents, as well as photographers.

Throughout the years of its existence, it has been a pillar of justice and has seen countless other publications, come and go. Born in a colorful age, possibly the most of all time, the Roaring Twenties, those tempestuous times when Broadway was truly Broadway.

The belts awarded have stimulated the sport, and have been proudly received and worn by their many receivers, it means more to them sometimes than the financial winnings.

My manuscript should be off the press some time this summer, "Fifty Years in Pistiana" and will elevate many eyebrows and revive for its readers many memories of the great and near great in days gone by, it starts with the James J. Corbett vs. Charley Mitchell title tilt at Jacksonville, Fla, in 1894, when I first became a fan, due to a bartender neighbor giving my older brother a Police Gazette picture of them. The picture will be in the book.

Jay J. Thomas
Homewood, Ala.

Telling It Like It Is

By BOB GOODMAN

NEW York featherweight Davey Vasquez will be taking off for the West Coast with his manager Artie Curley as soon as he finishes his college summer school sessions. . .Davey has been sought by the Forum in Inglewood for his first appearance outside of New York. . . Former heavyweight Ernie Terrell, who's pulling in about $2,000 a week in the entertainment business, is ready to pack it all in to devote full-time to boxing. . .Muhammad Ali says that his new born son, Muhammad Eban Ali, will have the finest education available and he would not want to see him become a boxer. . .Is it true that Detroit's Al "Blue" Lewis injured his shoulder in training and will this affect his performance against Ali in Dublin?. . .In a local rivalry between Danny "Little Red" Lopez and Arturo Pineda, 10,438 Los Angeles fans turned out to the tune of $94,392 in a fight in which the fighters had a total of only 23 bouts between them. . .With local talent, the Forum in Inglewood drew over $50,000 on "Bantamweight Night". . .Plans for Villafor to defend against, Victor Etchegaray from Argentina, in late summer are in the works. . .A crowd of 18,500 fans paying $159,000 in Mexico City saw Rafael Herrera win the bantam crown from Ruben Olivares. . .Denver, Colorado has been steadily drawing crowds with undefeated heavyweight Ron Lyle. The Lyle-Chuck Leslie bout there pulled in $44,000. . .The encouraging thing about the boxing scene is that the clubs are showing no signs of slowing down. . . Jimmy Colotto and matchmaker Duke Stefano have kept North Bergen, New Jersey's Embassy Hall going with capacity houses. . .Tampa, Florida has been going strong as well as Houston, New Orleans, Seattle, Portland, Oklahoma City, Philadelphia, Scranton, Miami Beach, Anaheim, Syracuse, Las Vegas, Akron and Cleveland.

Boxing again will flourish in Connecticut, one of the best areas in boxing's past, which has legalized boxing once again. . .There are good promoters and fighters all over the World as is evidenced by the fact that the United States only has two current champions when years ago it was almost unheard of for anyone outside of North America to hold a title for any period. . .There are champions from Mexico, Argentina, Venezuela, Philippines, Panama and Scotland. . .Boxing is truly "The" international sport and things haven't looked this good on a global scale in many years, if ever. . .A real crowd-pleaser on the move is Billy "Dynamite" Douglas from Colombus, who recently decisioned Trinidad's Carlos Mark in another of J. Russell Peltz's shows at The Arena in Philly. . .George Kanter, the European representative for many fine fighters, has offered Douglas a spot in Paris against Max Cohen. . .Miami Beach's man for all seasons has to be veteran trainer-cut man and newspaper columnist, Lou Gross. . .Lou can be seen

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VBA RING 8 HONORS GELLMAN

By SAM TAUB

V.B.A. Ring #8 in New York, put on a gala get-together recently at the Statler-Hilton Hotel, to honor a great human being, former boxer and now Executive Director of the Jewish Memorial Hospital of N.Y. and other institutions – New Jersey-born Charles Gellman.

The sellout crowd witnessed one of the greatest tributes paid anyone in boxing in years. Gellman has done so much for so many people, especially boxers, in their hour of need. Never has he said no when a boxer's plight was brought to his attention. All facilities immediately became available, regardless of cost. That's one of the reasons he was given this wonderful tribute.

The audience, was made up of the best. The dais was a knockout. The band, with Mickey Shaw directing, was superb, as was the food. It was almost 12:30 when speeches were concluded, interposed with plenty of dancing and fine music. What a night for the honored guest to remember!

Gellman is an unusual man. He never says no. He truly typifies the profession with which he is so closely affiliated, encompassing several hundred of our hospitals.

We had the pleasure of introducing the dais. They were: James J. Braddock, Tommy Loughran, Paul Berlenbach, Mickey Walker, Lou Salica, Phil Terranova, Solly Seeman, Charley "Phil" Rosenberg, Corp. Izzy Schwartz, Willie Pep,

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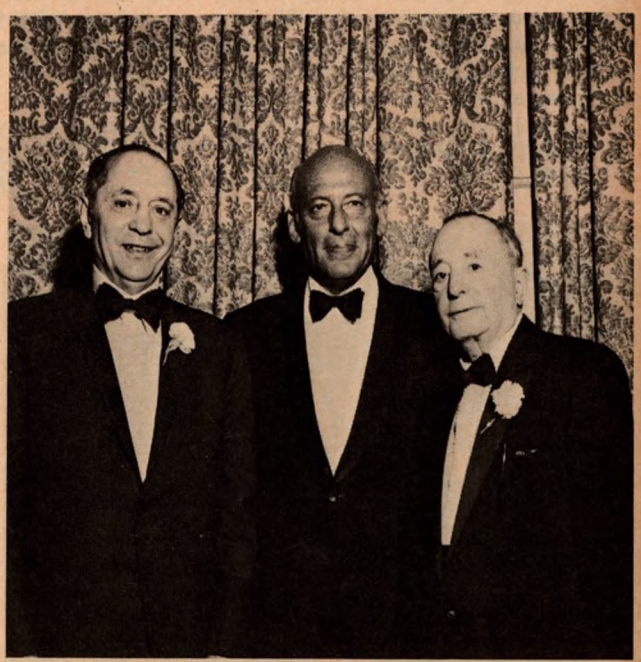


Left to right, Ruby Goldstein, former boxing idol, later an outstanding referee, now president of VBA Ring #8; Charles Gellman, former boxer and Executive Director of Jewish Memorial Hospital in New York; Sam Taub of The Ring staff.

SCHAAF TRAGEDY 40 YEARS AGO WENT UNSOLVED

By GEORGE GIRSCH

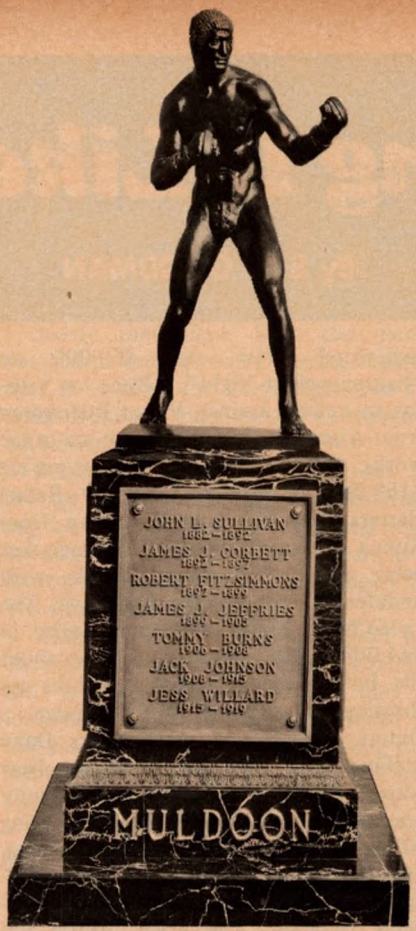
NEXT time you go to New York's Madison Square Garden, stop off at the Hall of Fame and take a good look at the Muldoon-Tunney trophy on display there.

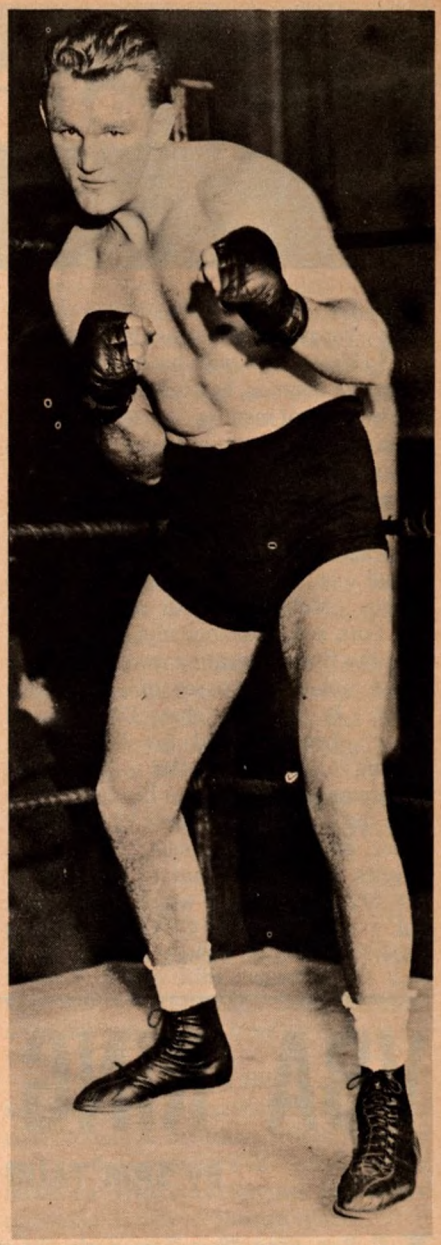
It's a bronze figure of a boxer mounted on a black marble base. Plaques adorning the sides display the names of the heavyweight champions of the world from John L. Sullivan on.

Who was the virtually perfect physical specimen who was selected to pose for the statue of the fighter? None other than Ernie Schaaf, ironically one of the tragic figures of boxing history.

It says in The Ring Record Book that Schaaf died on February 14, 1933—four days after being kayoed by Primo Carnera in the 13th round at the Garden. But some experts insist that Ernie began to die on June 7, 1932, when he fought Two-Ton Tony Galento.

Another school of thought places the blame on Max Baer and the night of August 31, 1932, 40 years ago.





Above, a picture of the Muldoon-Tunney Trophy which stands in the Madison Square Garden Hall of Fame. Ernie Schaaf was the model for this work of art. To the right is a shot of Schaaf himself, a topnotch fighter who never knew when he was beaten.

Schaaf, who was born in Elizabeth, N.J. on September 27, 1908, fought out of Boston. He was rated the No. 3 heavyweight in 1931 after having conquered Jimmy Braddock, Jim Maloney, Vittorio Campolo, Tuffy Griffiths and Roberto Roberti, among others.

Under the management of Phil Schlossberg, whom he had met in the Navy, Schaaf kept up the good work in 1932. He KOd Salvatore Ruggirello in four, decisioned Young Stribling, Ted Sandwina and Jack Gross in 10-rounders and flattened Unknown Winston in five, before meeting Galento.

It's hard to fathom why Schaaf bothered to take on Galento. Ernie had absolutely nothing to gain, being the third-ranked heavy, while Two-Ton Tony could administer a frightful beating if he didn't get cut up too badly himself, being a notorious bleeder.

A short time before the match, Schaaf and Schlossberg parted after a disagreement. Phil sold Ernie's contract to Jack Sharkey and his pilot, Johnny Buckley, for $78,500. Sharkey became heavyweight champion a few weeks later, defeating Max Schmeling on a disputed 15-round decision at the Madison Square

In the 12th round with Carnera, Schaaf looked okay. He belted Primo with a hard left to the head but the giant appeared to take it in stride.

Garden Bowl in Long Island, N.Y., on June 21, 1932.

Two weeks earlier, however, Galento's tremendous strength, his famed left hook, and a right-hand chop behind Schaaf's neck in the clinches took their toll in Newark's Dreamland Park.

Though Ernie was awarded the 10-round decision, he absorbed a great deal of punishment. Dead-tired after the bout, the 6-foot, 1 inch Schaaf was unable to leave his dressing room for a couple of hours. Galento was unhurt except for a puffy mouth, bloody nose and a few bumps on the head.

From then on, it seems, Schaaf was never the same. In a 10-rounder with Stanley Poreda 17 days later, Ernie looked rather listless, showing little of his usual calibre in dropping a 10-round verdict.

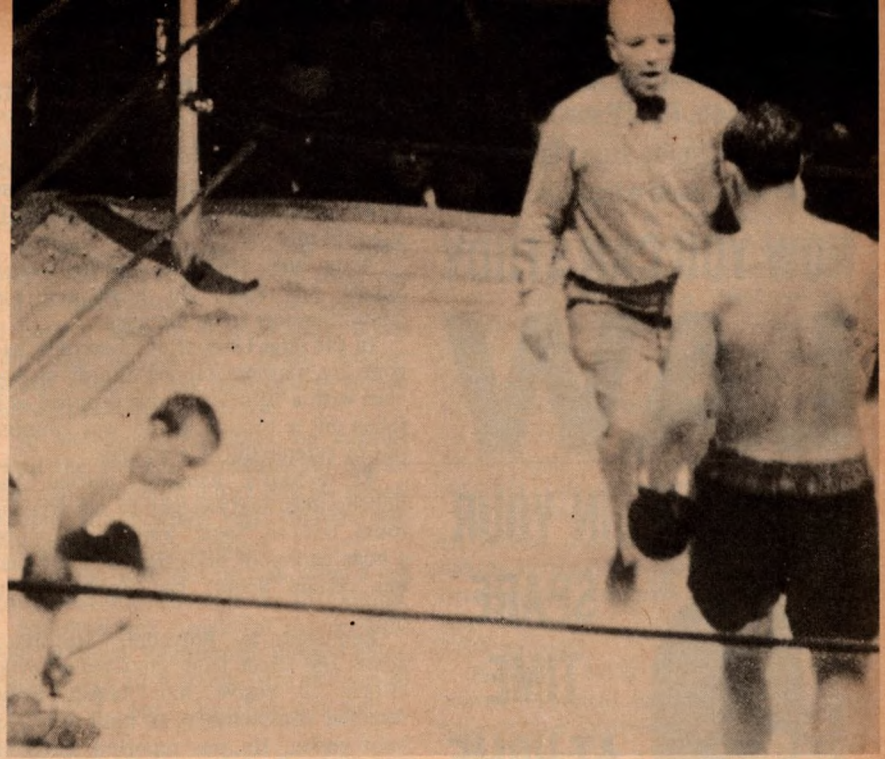
Though he won his next three encounters—with Ruggirello again, Paulino Uzcudun and Sandwina again—Schaaf appeared lacklustre and sluggish.

Then came the Baer bout in Chicago on the last day of August. Things appeared to be about even going into the eighth when Baer unleashed a savage, sustained attack which culminated in Schaaf's being knocked out with two seconds to go in the 10th and final heat.

The limp Schaaf, stretched out in the ring, didn't move a muscle for a full minute. He was forced to remain in Chicago Stadium for four hours.

After being idle for almost two months, Schaaf lost a 10-rounder to Unknown Winston. Six weeks later, Ernie stopped Winston in six rounds.

Schaaf again faced Poreda on January 6, 1933, the bout had been postponed from December due to a deep cut suffered by Ernie during training, according to Manager Buckley. Schaaf scored a six-round KO.



The end of the Carnera-Schaaf fight, in the 13th round. Primo struck Ernie with a light left and Schaaf, as is shown, hit the deck, finished for good.

Then came Carnera, the 264-pound behemoth who had been accused by many of not being able to punch his way out of a telephone booth—and death for Schaaf at the age of 24.

Ernie had been confined in a Boston hospital from Jan. 17 to 23 with what was diagnosed as the flu. It's obvious, therefore, that he was in a weakened condition when he entered the Madison Square Garden ring on the evening of February 10.

Schaaf had scaled 209½ for the Poreda fight, but only 207½ for Carnera, proof that Ernie's illness had cost him some poundage.

About 20,000 enthusiasts were on hand for the Schaaf-Carnera meeting, with 10,000 reportedly turned away, so great was the interest in the bout.

Ring announcer Joe Humphreys told the crowd that the winner would meet champion Sharkey in June. With Jack in Schaaf's corner as a second, that announcement didn't sit too well with the throng.

For 12 rounds—it was scheduled for 15—the fight was one-sided and devoid of much action. Carnera pawed and clinched his way into an unsurmountable points lead. Schaaf vainly tossed punches

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Ernie Schaaf, unconscious before 20,000 in Madison Square Garden, is being carried off. He was taken to Polyclinic Hospital, across the street. Carnera insisted he had not hit Ernie hard enough to stop him.

Jubilation in the ring after Primo Carnera stopped Schaaf in the 13th. Carnera went on to stop Jack Sharkey in June, 1933, to capture the heavyweight title.

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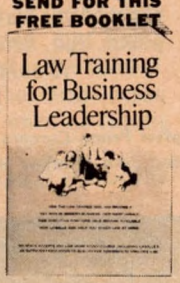

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from all angles without much success. When Ernie did connect, Primo easily shook it off.

After the 10th, it appeared as if Schaaf had given up hope and was content merely to go the distance.

In the fatal 13th, after 51 seconds had gone by, Carnera tapped Schaaf on the chin with a light left. Ernie dropped as if felled by a blackjack and was counted out by referee Billy Cavanaugh.

As Schaaf's handlers carried the unconscious heavyweight to his dressing room, cries of "fake" were heard among a huge chorus of boos from a crowd that was certain Schaaf had "gone in the tank."

Removed to Polyclinic Hospital—across the street from the Garden—after efforts to revive him failed, Ernie regained consciousness an hour after the bout ended. He was reported suffering from a brain concussion and was placed under observation.

According to Dr. William Walker, the New York State Athletic Commission physician, who, incidentally, was a brother of former Mayor Jimmy Walker, Schaaf sat up in bed shortly before midnight. Four doctors who were attending Ernie said he was apparently out of danger.

But suddenly, Ernie took a turn for the worse. Upon further examination the following day, it was discovered Schaaf had an intra-cranial hemorrhage and paralysis of the left arm and leg.

On Monday, February 13th, Schaaf underwent a dangerous, delicate three-and-one-half hour operation to relieve pressure on the brain. After seemingly responding to the surgery, Schaaf lapsed into a new coma in the evening and died at 4:10 the next morning.

Following Schaaf's death, Governor Herbert H. Lehman ordered an investigation of the bout.

Everyone had a different opinion. Some said Carnera scored a clean KO. State Athletic Commissioner William Muldoon wanted Primo placed in a super-dreadnaught class. Others said Sharkey and Buckley never should have let Schaaf fight so soon after coming out of a hospital. And still others remembered Galento and Baer.

Medical Examiner Charles Norris announced in his autopsy report that Schaaf had not died as a direct result of blows received from Carnera, but from a weakened condition and inflammation of the brain, a possible aftermath of the influenza attack the boxer had suffered prior to the bout. Everyone was exonerated.

On March 1, 1933, the Schaaf incident was officially closed when Governor Lehman declared "since neither the law nor any regulations had been broken, I do not intend to take further action."

Thus ended the tragic saga of Ernie Schaaf, of whom the man who knew him best—Phil Schlossberg, his old shipmate—once said:

"Schaaf has only one fault as a boxer. He is too game. He takes too many unnecessary punches. He is too confident that nobody can hurt him."

But someone or something did—and it cost Ernie Schaaf his life.

NEW CALIF. LAW CREATES BOXERS' FUND

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Actually AB 2455 establishes three financial programs for professional boxers—a pension plan, a trust fund and disability insurance.

The commission is directed by the bill to establish the pension plan by a schedule of contributions from boxers, managers and promoters "on an equitable basis" in a plan that is required to be actuarially sound.

A trust fund would be set up for each boxer who earns more than $200 in any California fight. The amounts of withholding from the boxers' purse would be established by the commission, not to exceed 10 per cent of purses under $1,000 and not to exceed 15 per cent of purses over $1,500. The California Athletic Commission would invest the money along with other state-administered trust funds.

The funds could be paid out only on one of four conditions being met: (1) the death of the boxer; (2) a boxer's retirement; (3) revocation of a boxer's license; (4) a finding by the commission of "extraordinary circumstances."

A boxer might voluntarily contribute a greater portion of his earnings to his trust account if he desires.

The disability insurance program, with limits to be determined by the commission, would allocate costs "equitably among boxers, managers and promoters."

"Is there enough money," he asks, "to make the program worthwhile for a substantial number of boxers?" There are 500 licensed in California, of which 300 are state residents or resident aliens.

"Should AB 2455 apply to all boxers fighting in California? Should it apply to the occasional boxer in California, who may box only a few times—perhaps only once? Perhaps it should apply only to California residents or resident aliens who fight with specified frequency."

Time will tell how practical is the new California legislation.

RING'S AUSTRALIAN CRITIC QUESTIONS MUNDINE'S ABILITY TO TAKE A PUNCH

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contender for the Australian middleweight title. Ted furnished the tyro Mundine with Tony's opposition in the latter's third fight—a ten-round main-event at Manly Warringah Leagues Club. It was a gigantic jump but it paid off with a points win for Mundine.

Three weeks later, the two met again in another ten. This time the end came in the fifth round. Mundine went back against the ropes, McKenzie came forward to press his attack—and ran into a right to the jaw. Mundine stepped forward with a left, right, left, and McKenzie went down. He somersaulted backward and came up on his knees. He was in that position when referee Jimmy Carruthers finished the 10-count.

In his third fight after that Mundine met McKenzie again. This one was a six-round support to the Johnny Famechon-Fighting Harada world feather-weight title fight at Sydney Stadium, July 28, 1969, and Mundine was in charge all the way, ending the fight with a KO in the third round.

One fight before that Mundine had outpointed tough Ricky Datsun over eight rounds at South Melbourne. On September 8, 1969, he outpointed Tongan Sione Sani at the same venue. When he met Sani again—in March 1970—he knocked out the Tongan in the first round.

But Kahu Mahanga showed, in November 1969, that Mundine had an Achilles heel. It was an exciting fight, shown live on TV from Melbourne Festival Hall. Mundine held a good points lead coming into the ninth round, then Mahanga threw a right to the jaw. Down went Mundine for the full count.

The two never met again, although Tony still would like the chance to square that defeat. If they did meet again there is little doubt that Mundine would win well. Kahu is not improving—indeed, he seems to be going back—while the improvement in Mundine has been amazing.

After padding his record with a series of KO wins over inferior opponents—mostly from the South Seas—Mundine knocked out Australian middleweight champion Billy Choules in the fourth round of a non-title fight. The two met again some weeks later, this time for the title. The same result ensued as Mundine, on April 23, 1970, became middleweight champion of Australia seven weeks before his 20th birthday.

Two more Islanders each went out in the second round. Then it was American Billy Marsh, a man who could entertain without fighting. The result was a foregone conclusion. After an extremely one-sided contest, Jimmy Carruthers called a halt in the eighth round and crowned Mundine. Being stopped was not a new experience for Marsh—he had lost 22 inside the distance.

It was Englishman Johnny Kramer who made Mundine hear bells. Near the end of one round in their televised fight at Eastern Suburbs Leagues Club, Bondi Junction, August 25, 1970, Kramer landed a right. Tony immediately turned and walked to his corner.

In an explanation later, he said he heard the bell ring to signify the end of the round. In fact it didn't ring for several seconds during which time Mundine had turned back to face Kramer.

Mundine was well on top when a cut eye forced out Kramer in the fifth round.

Mundine had a spell for four months then stopped Englishman Barry Calderwood in the fifth round, also because of an eye cut. Again Mundine was well in charge.

On January 21, 1971, Mundine was asked for his biggest test. In the opposite corner was Bunny Sterling, defending his British Commonwealth middleweight title. Sterling was a good boxer but not a hard hitter, so the odds favoured Mundine.

And it was a good fight, a very good fight. At the end of the 14th round referee Carruthers had Sterling slightly ahead. Mundine won the last and received a draw. My unofficial card showed Sterling winner by three points. But it is the official verdict that counts. In any case Sterling kept his title.

The fight did Mundine a great deal of good, yet it rebounded. The confidence he gained cost him his second KO loss two fights later.

That was against Luis Rodriguez at North Melbourne Football Ground on April 7. Mundine came out looking for fight and ran into a pile-driving punch to the body, followed by a right to the jaw. Down went Mundine in a daze. When he regained his feet he was a sitting duck. The end came 52 seconds into the first round.

It was back to the drawing board for Tony. Confidence had to be restored. Fijian Alipate Korovou was halted in the fifth round. Australian light heavy Jackson McQuade was outed in the first. Aussie Rod Kenny went out in the fourth—and hasn't fought again. Scottish middleweight Tommy Gray was stopped in seven.

Then came Englishman Eric Blake, a middleweight who nine months earlier had thrashed Mahanga to an eight-round stoppage defeat in a very good fight.

The Mundine-Blake fight was a Layton-Taylor promotion at Brisbane Festival Hall, date November 25, 1971, and Blake was on the deck in each round. Mundine also was dropped but was on his feet immediately to charge into an attack that left Blake desperately defending.

Mundine won by knockout in the third round.

On December 10, American Charlie "Bad News" Austin was stopped in the second round at Brisbane Festival Hall.

So into 1972, and Mundine was matched with an American who held the middleweight championship of Japan—George Carter. On Carter's Record was a win over Koichi Wajima, so perhaps it was a case of George being well over the hill. He displayed nothing, and Mundine won via a KO in the second round.

On February 25, Mundine went after his second Australian title. Ignoring the light heavyweight division, he took on the heavyweight champion, Foster Bibron, who out-weighed him by 46 pounds—210¼ to 164¼.

But Tony did it: he knocked out his heavier opponent in the 11th round to become dual Australian champion.

Bunny Sterling was imported again to defend his British Commonwealth middleweight title, this time at the Milton Tennis Courts, Brisbane.

Sterling demanded a neutral referee, so promoters Reg Layton and Wally Taylor imported Jay Edson from USA. Jay did a good job. So did Mundine. Well ahead on points coming into the 15th round, Tony, who had boxed well within himself, cut loose, and when Mundine had an opponent going, he doesn't let him off the hook. Sterling went down three times, the last one automatically ending the fight.

It was fitting that Mundine should open the new stadium in Sydney, the Hordern Pavilion at the Showground. Pacific Telecasters, under Ed Silver, staged what should have been a grand opening, with Mundine headlined against world-rated Denny Moyer.

As a fight it was a flop, but that wasn't Mundine's fault. Tony looked like a million dollars. Moyer showed evasive skill but was outclassed in every other facet of the game. It was Mundine's 28th inside-the-distance win in 35 fights.

If ever a boxer looked like a world champion Mundine did. But Moyer is not a hard puncher. That bugbear of Mundine could prvent him ascending to the world title, of donning the royal purple.

I believe that the weakness is not wholly the physical structure of the Mundine jawbone. I believe that much of it is mental. Mundine does not lack courage, but he could have a fear of being knocked out, a fear that he may not recover.

If my belief is correct, and Mundine overcomes that, then Tony will take a punch better than he has done. Then world champion Monzon may have cause to worry.

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BIG TROUBLE IN JAPAN DUE TO DECLINE AND FALL OF HEROES

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not presented weekly but every other week. It was because NTV still had strong attractions then—featherweight Sho Saijo, bantam Kazuyoshy Kanazawa and current WBA flyweight titlist Masao Ohba.

In order to attract TV fans in prefectures outside Tokyo, the Dynamic Glove made it a rule to set up double-headers instead of single cards. But, Saijo being dethroned by Gomez and Kanazawa demolished by Olivares' power, NTV now presents only the 'title contest' showings as TBS.

Fuji TV had been a fast-rising sponsor of the game. It had contracts with some important promoters to show the bouts of Fighting Harada, Kuniaki Shibata and Oriental leaders only on the program named the Golden Glove.

But growing apathy of the public cannot be cured after the top ringmen's defeat by foreigners, chiefly Mexicans and Venezuelans.

When the WBC, whose secretary general is Ramon Velasques, of Mexico, ordered Kuniaki Shibata to fight Clemente Sanchez in his first defense after his KO win over Saldivar, Fuji TV made a big financial mistake.

The general situation certainly was not helped by the recent elimination of Shibata as world featherweight champion by Clemente Sanchez of Mexico. The steady decadence of Japanese fighters in competition with Mexicans is one of the features of world boxing. How fast the balance of power can swing! Shibata at one time was one of the best boxers Nippon had produced in a decade.

Shibata, hard-punching attraction, had fought Saldivar under the condition that if he wrested the title, the first defense should be staged in Mexico. Impressively, Shibata KO'ed the Mexican lefty in the 13th round. But Fuji TV insisted that Shibata's first defense should be televised, in Japan no matter how much the proposal cost.

Fuji TV eventually paid the Mexican promoter thru the WBC and the JBC no less than 10 million yen to buy the contract for staging Shibata's first defense in Japan. Militant for Sanchez was Raul Cruz, also Mexican, because the former wanted his crack being staged in his native Mexico because of Shibata's previous contracts.

The Japanese puncher iced the substitute named Cruz in the opening session on June 3, 1971 which made a big sensation in Japan. The spectacular KO helped the growing decline of Japan's boxing.

The financial results of Shibata-Cruz were not as good as expected.

Shibata's second defense made Fuji TV to decide a sudden farewell to televising fights. Panama's Ernest Marcel was a fast-footworker who avoided his opponent's vaunted power and annoyed Shibata with speedy hands.

Apparently the Japanese appeared to be a points loser. But the official verdict was a draw. Spectators booed. TV watchers were surprised and TV commentator spoke in Marcel's favor. General opinions as well as paper decisions were all for Shibata's defeat by decision.

But it is true a large part of boxing performances from the financial point of view depends on TV supports. With TV's sudden stoppage of backing for boxing, the promoters, matchmakers, managers and fighters themselves were at a loss. Previously, boxing in Japan had been too much dependent on TV companies.

So foreign fighters had been too richly paid. They gave plenty of opportunities to Japanese ringmen to take shots at their world titles. Last year Japan had champions—flyweight, Masao Ohba, (WBA), featherweight Kuniaki Shibata (recognized by The Ring) and Sho Saijo (WBA), junior lightweight Hiroshi Kobayashi (The Ring) and Yoshiaki Numata (WBC), and junior middleweight Koichi Wajima (WBA).

But now only two boxers that The Ring doesn't call champion call themselves champions—Ohba and Wajima.

The reporter sees financial discriminations and political administrations of Japanese boxing as reasons in the decline.

When boxing in Japan overcomes those complex problems the game will rebound and take back the lead from other sports, soccer and baseball which are on home TV screen nationwide.

Boxing in this country should stand on its own feet. It will do that.

READ THE RING

"I CAN TAKE MONZON," DECLARES MUNDINE

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"On November 10, 1969, Kahu Mahanga stopped me in nine rounds at Melbourne on a chance blow off the floor.

"On April 7, 1971, Luis Rodriguez got me in the first round, also at Melbourne—a beautiful punch.

"Given the chance, I would not be likely to be stopped again by either Mahanga or Rodriguez.

"On January 15, 1971, I fought a draw with Bunny Sterling. I knew I could beat him, and that's just what I did the second time we met. I knocked him out.

"Twelve months after the draw on January 21, 1971, I knocked Sterling out in the 15th round. I dropped him in the sixth, and in the last round I had him on the floor three times, which meant an automatic knockout.

"I believe I have learned a few things since my two KO mishaps."

The conversation shifted to Mundine's boyhood, to his ambition to become a great football player, and to his being spotted by McQuillan in Ern's gymnasium in Sydney while Tony was working out for physical condition, and not as a fighter.

"I was born at Grafton in New South Wales," Mundine continued. "It is not a very beautiful town. Its one industry is asbestos mining.

"Working in an asbestos mine is just about the toughest way a man can earn a living. I know. I was in the mines after school.

"My father had to work hard to support a family of nine children, of whom I am the third oldest. I have five brothers and three sisters.

"The pick and shovel life made me determined to get out and do something worthwhile, especially in sport. I decided that I could become a top class foootball player.

"I played cricket, boxed some, and always it was football.

"At the age of 16 I went to Sydney. I stayed there for three months, then back to the bush.

"While in Sydney I fought one amateur fight. I won it. Back to Grafton for two years, then I came back to Sydney with my eyes on a place with the All Blacks football team.

"While I was working out in McQuillan's gym, he spotted me. He engaged me in casual conversation, said he liked the way I sparred, got at my football ambitions, and said, (I like the way you work in the ring. I believe you would make good as a fighter.)
fighter.)

"Well, I liked McQuillan's line and got in touch with my parents. The result was that, two and a half years ago, I signed a five year contract—at least, my dad signed with Ern. I had played a few games with the All Blacks.

"Eventually I went pro and won a couple of four-rounders. But the experts decided that I would not do.

"There was a moneyed man-about-town in Sydney named Perce Galea. He wanted to be known as a manager of a boxer and McQuillan offered me to him. He saw me work and turned me down. Recently he expressed regret.

"Two-and-a-half years in the ring, and shooting for a world championship. I am not awed or scared. I know how dangerous and uncertain life is in the ring, and I face my chances with confidence.

"I want Monzon. If I can't take a punch. I believe he would find that out. Just bring him on."

IT'S ALL MUNDINE AS MOYER EXITS AFTER SEVEN

By RAY MITCHELL

SYDNEY, AUSTRALIA — It was a big occasion. Boxing, for the first time, was going into the new stadium here. The old Sydney Stadium had gone under the wrecker's bulldozers almost two years earlier, and the new one—in the Hordern Pavilion, Sydney Showground—is plush and compact.

It was fitting that Tony Mundine, Australia's current strongest magnet and holder of the national middleweight and heavyweight titles, along with the British Commonwealth middleweight crown, should headline the first boxing bill there.

The promoting body, Pacific Telecasters, under the guidance of Ed Silver, paid world rated Denny Moyer a reported $12,000 to oppose Mundine. The Australian champion, on percentage, collected more. Admission charges were $20, $15, $10, $5.

The selection of Moyer appeared ideal—on paper. He was to be a test for Tony. Fans, however, expected much more from Moyer than what the American gave. Moyer was lethargic. He conveyed the impression that he didn't care whether he won or lost, so long as he wasn't hurt. He was like a worker who goes to his job, does sufficient to keep the boss from firing him, and collects his pay each week.

"Denny went in with a head cold," manager Sid Flaherty explained.

If Moyer wasn't fit, why was he sent into the ring? Flaherty had a duty to his fighter; Flaherty and Moyer had a duty to the public and boxing.

It wasn't a fight. When, at the end of the seventh round, Moyer directed Flaherty's attention to a cut eyebrow, Flaherty called referee Vic Patrick, who, after a short examination and discussion, stopped the fight and crowned Mundine. The crowd was happy it was over.

Nothing, however, can be taken from Mundine who boxed and fought like a world champion. Mundine did not lose a round. In fact, only the last round—the seventh—was even close. The second, fourth and sixth were runaway rounds for Mundine.

Mundine wasted little time in finessing. He scored with a left hook—right to the head combination seconds after the first bell sent them into combat. He jabbed, hooked, scored with rights to the head, and all the while Moyer was poking out tentative jabs or evading. He was good at evading.

It was all Mundine in the second stanza—left hook, left rip, jab, left to the body, jab, all before Moyer landed a punch. They had a short exchange to the body in close, then Mundine scored with a right to the head. Moyer evaded a couple of following punches. It was Moyer on the backmove, Mundine on the forward march.

Then Mundine caught Moyer again—a left-right combination to the head, a left hook, a long right to the head as Moyer moved back. Moyer then stepped in close but Mundine pushed him away. Moyer landed a light right to the head; Mundine replied with a right, but his carried power.

Moyer was more active in the third. He started with two light jabs. Mundine jabbed, then scored with a right to the head. He followed with a right to the jaw and a right to the body. Then it was a left-right to the head by Mundine, followed by a right to the body. Mundine scored with a left hook. Moyer came close and ran into a right uppercut. They clinched. At the break Mundine landed a right to the head. Moyer jabbed, then landed a left hook. Mundine jabbed twice.

The fourth opened with jabs by both parties—eight by Mundine, three by Moyer. Then it was hooks again. Moyer stepped forward with a short right to the jaw. The punch must have stung because Mundine came in like a flash with a left and right to the body and a left hook to the head. The punches were as fast as light.

Moyer scored with a left hook. Mundine replied in kind and Moyer went to the floor. Referee Vic Patrick ruled it a slip—Moyer was caught off balance.

Moyer's opening gambit in the fifth was a left to the body. Denny then landed a solid left hook to the head. Retaliation was swift: the three punches to head and body from Mundine came so fast they seemed almost as one. The remainder of the round was quieter, Moyer landing a few jabs, while Mundine kept ahead but did not open up with any more blitzes.

Mundine meant business in the sixth. He rushed in but Moyer grabbed him. Mundine ripped a left to the body, then scored a fast one-two to the head. Tony hooked, Denny jabbed, Mundine landed a right to the head. Stung, Moyer flew in with a right to the head—and again Mundine brought in the lightning-fast three-belt combination. Moyer went back.

Moyer scored with a couple of left hooks but received a right to the jaw. They exchanged left hooks, then Mundine landed another one for good measure, followed by a right. A solid right to the jaw rocked Moyer to his toenails. Denny sought a clinch but Tony punched him off. It was all Mundine.

Two jabs came from Mundine at the start of the seventh. Moyer answered with a left hook. Moyer charged forward, forcing Mundine to the ropes. Mundine grabbed him, swung him around and moved to the open spaces, leaving Moyer in the corner. As Moyer came out, Mundine jabbed him twice, landed a left hook and a right. He repeated, one of the blows splitting Moyer's eyebrow.

At the sight of blood Mundine increased his production. He landed both hands. Moyer was hard pressed riding the sting out of them. Denny tried a couple of jabs. He crowded Mundine to a corner, landed a couple of light punches, but Mundine twisted him away and jabbed. The bell, the eye-examination, the crowning of Mundine all followed.

Moyer said very little when interviewed from the ring immediately after the fight. Asked how Mundine would fare with world champion Carlos Monzon, Denny just said: "Be a good match."

VBA RING 8 HONORS GELLMAN

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Willie LaMorte, Ben Jeby; representing the clergy were Monsignor O'Brien and Father Shelly of St. Malachy's and Rabbi Schoenfeld of the Actor's Temple. Also Benny Levine, retired secretary of the AAU, who has held his post for 60 years, an Lvd, Sports Editor of the Hudson Dispatch.

The inimitable Harry Hershfield, who came on about midnight, was great entertaining with his famous stories, of which the folks never tire of hearing. Ruby Goldstein, President of VBA Ring 8 also did a great job.

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in the corner of almost any champ or contender, anytime, anywhere. . .A true Runyonesque character. . .He was in the corner with Foster when Bob so decisively walloped Vicente Rondon in Miami Beach. . .In his spare time Lou picked up some work from Mike Morton, who was in Miami Beach with his prize junior lightweight contender from Portland, Oregon, Ray Lampkin. . ."This Lampkin kid has all the moves to become a champ," stated Gross after Lampkin breezed through a lopsided ten round decision over Bill Whittenburg. . .Angelo Dundee, the most congenial manager-trainer in the business, writes two or three hundred post cards and letters to sportswriters and friends every time he takes a trip. . .When checking into a hotel Angelo's first request is, "please get a typewriter up in my room with about three or four hundred post cards". . .He is bugged by heavyweight Jimmy Ellis to get him fights. . ."Jimmy wants to fight now and often but when you're only the third or fourth best heavyweight in the world, everybody wants to stay clear of you," says Dundee. . .Ellis and Dundee would love to get Floyd Patterson into the ring to clear up their controversial fight that Jimmy won in Sweden. This would be a good match but Floyd is playing his cards very cautiously. . .Cable television has become a very valuable asset to closed-circuit promoters in boxing. . .There are hundreds of CATV systems around the country, all in need of programming for their customers. . . Video Techniques, Inc., now a public company, has made good use of CATV outlets. . .Jimmy Iselin and Peers Management have rejected offers for Buster Mathis' contract. . .Sheldon Saltman, one of the top show business and sports promotions men did some moonlighting as the announcer for some of Muhammad Ali's major bouts. He has become Jack Kent Cooke's assistant at The Forum. . .With Cooke, Don Fraser, Vice President and Director of boxing for Forum Boxing Enterprises, George Parnassus and Saltman, the Forum has all the ingredients to become the sports capitol of the world.

EUROPEAN HEAVY TITLE

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understatement.

Jose certainly would not have an even chance against the 37-year-old Floyd Patterson, with whom he may have had a commitment had Urtain beaten Blin.

The setback by Blin was very bad for Urtain as it had been preceded by a defeat by Joe King Roman in Puerto Rico.

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OLD BROADWAY

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is to dig up boxing oddities, came up with another. Benny Leonard was kayoed in his first fight. So was Henry Armstrong . . .And Harry Greb was stopped after engaging in several skirmishes. . .Frankie recently returned from another visit to London, to be present at Jackie 'Kid' Berg's wedding party for his nephew, Leon King, son of one time trainer, Mickey King.

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Johnny Attell came back to the fistic scene recently when he was inducted into membership of Ring #8. The New Yorker, from the East Side, who was 74 in August, had a varied career in fistiana. Had about 20 pro fights as a 105-pounder under the management of the late Frank "Doc" Bagley. In boxing for 50 years, boxer, manager, matchmaker and promoter, as well as press agent. Jacobs, who lives in Flushing, L.I., retired on July 1 as public relations director of ABC Freight. It happened to be the 50th wedding anniversary of Shirley and himself. Has three daughters, five grandchildren and one great grandchild. Was matchmaker for the Garden, Pioneer, Ridgewood Grove, Broadway Arena, Philadelphia Arena and the New Haven Arena. . .Also recalls when he operated at Dyckman Oval.

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Bobby Dawson, real monicker Leo Birnbaum, will be 80 years old on Oct. 22. He had 75 pro fights and his last engagement was with Gene Tunney, destined to become heavyweight king, whom he met at the Sharkey A.C., where Jim Buckley was promoter and referee. His manager was Mike O'Loughlin. Trained Jack Britton, for most of his championship matches, as well as the Argentinian, Luis Vicentini, and flyweight, Fidel LaBarba, as well as middleweight Dave Rosenberg. . .Later became a masseur, among his clients being Jimmy Walker, Tex Rickard and Mike Jacobs, as well as stage folks Jan Murray, Leon Errol and Tony Martin. Has been a boxing judge since 1942. Bobby and his wife, Sadie, have three children, four grandchildren and three great grandchildren.

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At one of the Garden fight shows, ran into Billy McNeece, who boxed in 1957 and '58 as a middleweight, was managed by Irving Cohen and trained by the late Jimmy August. Among those whom McNeece fought were Ralph Tiger Jones, Bobby Dykes, Jackie LaBua, Billy Kilgore and Garth Panter. . .Now a successful electrical contractor.

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The passing of Lee Savold saddened many of us. He was a fine competitor and a gentleman. The man from Marshall, Mich., fought memorable battles with the great Joe Louis, Billy Conn, Buddy Baer, Tami Maurello, Arturo Godoy and King Kong. He also had an eight-round kayo over Lou Nova and one can't forget his 54-second kayo of Gino Buonvino, of Italy, in the 8th Avenue Garden. Managed by Pinky George and later by Bill Daly.

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Still a fight fan is Jimmy Moulton, lightweight from New York, who was a ringman from 1954 to 1971 and managed by Harry Stickevers, one of the best around and later with Irving Cohen. His trainer was the late Whitey Bimstein. Moulton is a first cousin of Willie O'Connell, a bantam, who was a cousin of former bantam king Joe Lynch.

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Another man often seen on the fight beat is one who boxed as an amateur for eight years. His name Jimmy "The Fox" O'Donnell from Howarth, N.J. Has been an AAU judge for years. Now retired.

PIONEER STOCK VITAL IN DEVELOPMENT OF AMERICAN SUPREMACY IN HEAVIER RANKS

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succeed, but he lived to see a fickle public assail the authenticity of his triumph and acclaim the once villified Johnson as a boxer without a peer.

Dempsey is an obvious nomination as the greatest fighter of early American antecedents. There was a time when adherents of Jeffries such as the late Joe Woodman—would have disputed this, but these dissenting voices have been stilled by the passing years.

Other fighters of early American stock have left their marks in fistic records and recollections. Oldtimers in their reminiscences recall the night the yellow-haired Hudkins came raging out of the West to destroy the "Jewel of the Ghetto", the pride of New York City, Ruby Goldstein. The only ones not shocked by this upset were sharpshooting out-of-town gamblers aware of the Nebraska Wildcat's ferocity. Fabulous plunger Nick the Greek cleaned up betting on the westerner.

Kenny Lane, a hard to solve southpaw, proved such a puzzle to clever lightweight champion Joe Brown in 1958, the decision favoring the defending champion was roundly booed.

Tod Morgan, who held the junior lightweight championship in the Twenties, was another good journeyman boxer who is listed in the record book as American. His real name was Pilkington.

His ring career paid high dividends to Gene Fullmer, former middleweight champion, who cashed in heavily in his four-bout series with Sugar Ray Robinson. The Mormon mauler earned almost a half million dollars in his rugged career. Showing the thriftiness of his sect, Gene is said to retain a good part of it, for which more power to him.

In his fighting days Jack Dillon, no more than a heavy middleweight, was known as the "Giant Killer" Size and weight meant nothing to the Bearcat who took on all comers.

Boxers out of Texas usually have family histories going back to the Alamo and before. Lew Jenkins came out of Sweetwater, Tex. with a right hand possessing the sting of a rattlesnake and it carried him to the lightweight championship of the world.

"Cut 'n' Shoot" Roy Harris, the school-teaching cowboy, came off a ranch and out of college to gain a shot at the world heavyweight championship then held by Floyd Patterson. Welterweight Artie Dorrell looked like the best of the panhandle prospects but World War II stayed his progress as it did so many others.

Bobby Dykes, another Texan, missed winning the world welterweight title by a whisker from the formidable Gavilan after compiling a highly creditable record against the toughest opposition of the time.

One of the outstanding potentials among the heavyweights of the early years of this century was a man whose ancestors reached back into colonial times, J. Warren Barbour, onetime U.S. senator from the state of New Jersey. Barbour, a Princeton collegian, made such an impression winning the National Amateur heavyweight championship, he was seriously considered as an opponent for Jack Johnson.

Barbour could not be prevailed upon to turn professional bypassing boxing to attain prominence in business and politics. He acted as the timekeeper in the Dempsey-Willard fight at Toledo in 1919.

With Dempsey as their standard bearer, the "sons of the pioneers" are in the van of the all-time pugilistic parade.

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Cassius Clay stopped Jerry Quarry, 7.
Joe Bugner kayoed Doug Kirk,
Jurgen Blin outpointed Jose Urtain, 15, E.B.U. Heavyweight Title.
Jack O'Halloran decisioned Fred Lewis, 10.
Jimmy Ellis kayoed Rico Brooks, 2.
Pedro Lovell stopped Dan Johnson, 3.
Ken Norton defeated Hershel Jacobs, 10.
Joe Batton beat Johnny Mac, 8.
Joe Young stopped Brian O'Melia, 4.
Mike Adams kayoed Bob Cruttson, 1.
Rodell Dupree stopped Henry Lawson, 3.
Randy Clark decisioned Freddie Willimas, 10.
Carl Baker defeated Vern McIntosh, 10.

LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHTS

Bob Foster halted Mike Quarry, 4, World Light Heavyweight Title.
Chris Finnegan stopped Jan Lubbers, E.B.U. Light heavyweight title.
Eddie Owens beat Mark Tessman, 10.
Calvin Todd kayoed Raul Delgado, 2.
Luis Fabe stopped Alipio Colin, 9.
George Elias kayoed Charles Davenport, 1.
Jose Gonzalez stopped Bobby Cassidy, 8.
Jack Mitchell beat Jimmy McDermott, 10.
Joe DeNucci outpointed Joe Jones, 10.
Roosevelt Moulden Brown kayoed Tracy Morrison, 7.
Hal Carroll defeated Ronnie Oliver, 10.

MIDDLEWEIGHTS

Carlos Monzon stopped Jean-Claude Bouttier, 13, World Middleweight title.
Tony Mundine kayoed Denny Moyer, 7.
Miguel de Oliviera stopped Eduardo Batista, 2.
Kid Casey decisioned Efran Maldonado, 10.
Dave Downey halted Doc Holliday, 10.
Len Harden kayoed Mario Rosa, 3.
Orlando de la Fuente decisioned George Davis, 10.
Bobby (Boogaloo) Watts stopped Ralph Palladin, 6.
Angel Estabez beat Vic Perez, 6.
Jimmy Reilly kayoed Willie Crochett, 3.
King George Aidoo stopped Fernando Brito, 1.
Irish Jimmy Reilly stopped Ralph Castner, 3.

WELTERWEIGHTS

Jose Napoles halted Adolph Pruitt, 2, World Welterweight Title.
Hedgemon Lewis beat Billy Backus, 15, New York State Welterweight Title.
Raul Soriano outpointed Armando Muniz, 10.
Buddy Boggs decisioned Percy Pugh, 10.
Young Kennedy halted Raul Rodriguez, 2.
Jose Martin Flores beat David Oropeza, 10.
Al Romaro defeated Tony Porter, 8.
Miguel Barreto halted Adrian Davis.
Roger Menetrey stopped Joergen Hansen, 10.
Chu Chu Malave defeated Pat Murphy, 10.
Jack Tillman kayoed Buddy Boggs, 2.
Reynald Cantin outpointed Donato Paduano, 12.
Jose Gabino outpointed Robert Williams, 10.
Dario Hidalgo defeated Angel Espada, 10.

JUNIOR WELTERWEIGHTS

Alfonso Frazer stopped Al Ford, 5 (non-title).
Bruno Arcari stopped Joao Henrique, 12, W.B.C. Junior Welterweight Title.
Carlos Ortiz halted Gerrado Ferrett, 3.
Victor Ortiz kayoed Jimmy Ham, 2.
Roger Zami stopped Johnny Harp, 6.
Roberto Ayalo outpointed Tato Alomonso, 10.
Turk, Kamaci decisioned Angel Robinson Garcia, 10.
Tommy Roane beat Joe Grier, 4.
Lawrence Hafey lost to Ray Rose, 6.
Tom Tarantino beat Bobby Crawford, 6.
Frederico Bell kayoed Eddie Vargas, 1.
Billy Bell decisioned Steve Holden, 4.
George Riley kayoed Larry Duncan, 1.
Mike Everett stopped David Rhodes, 1.

LIGHTWEIGHTS

Roberto Duran stopped Ken Buchanan, 13, to win World Lightweight Title.
Antonio Puddu kayoed Carmelio Coscia, 2.
Mando Ramos outpointed Pedro Carrasco, 15, WBC Lightweight Title.
Juan Collado beat Cesar Sinda, 10.
Edwin Viruet halted Tommy Grant, 7.
Joe Cartwright defeated Miguel Montilla, 10.
Ray Lunny outpointed Manuel Leal, 10.
Angel Mayoral beat Carlos Vasquez, 10.
Carlos Fernandez outpointed Mar Yuzon, 10.
Zovek Barajas kayoed Julio Viera, 5.
Jose Resto beat Luke Erwin, 6.
Candy Ortiz outpointed Johnny Sullivan, 4.
Ray Lunny III defeated Manuel Leal, 10.
Cesar Sinda won over Juan Collado, 10.

JUNIOR LIGHTWEIGHTS

Alfredo Marcano stopped Flash Gallego, 4.
Jose Fernandez beat Masa Takahashi, 10.
Ray Lampkin defeated Felipe Torres, 10.

FEATHERWEIGHTS

Jonathan Dele outpointed Jose Legra, 10.
Joe Medrano stopped Jorge Jimenez, 8.
Gregory Benitez outpointed Guillermo Taco, 6.
Vilomar Fernandez won from Gilbert Mendez, 6.
Jose Luis Martin Del Campo defeated Vil Tumulak, 10.
Walter Seeley beat Azael Curet, 10.
Ron McGarvey halted Bobby Byrd, 1.
Bobby Chacon kayoed Luis Robeles, 1.
Pedro Guzman beat Salvatore Ramirez, 4.
Dario Albarron defeated Pablo Nieves, 4.

BANTAMWEIGHTS

Octavio Gomez stopped Cesar Desiga, 7.
Andres Hernandez beat Jose Sanchez, 10.

FLYWEIGHTS

Betulio Gonzalez kayoed Socrates Batoto, 4, W.B.C. Flyweight Title.
Masao Ohba kayoed Oralndo Amores, 5, W.B.A. Flyweight Title.
Venich Borkorsor stopped San Sacristan, 7.

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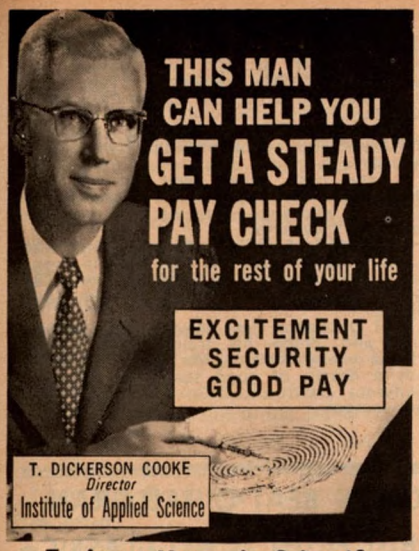

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By HARRY GILL

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Al Quinney, 160, Buffalo, had a tough opponent in Roy McMillan, 160, Toledo, but was able to cop the decision in 10.

Johnny Taylor, 160, Lockport, banged out a unanimous decision in a 4 rounder over Sylvester Wilder Cleveland.

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VON HATTEN STOPS BOYD IN SECOND HEAT AT TAMPA

By TOM EPHREM

TAMPA, Fla. — Tom Von Hatten, a hard-hitting Texan who earned Ring Magazine's Prospect of the Month in its July issue after scoring eight knockouts and two decisions in ten bouts gunned down Raymond (Pink Panther) Boyd in the second round at Curtis Hixon Hall. With his pretty wife Pam working in his corner the walloping welterweight from Fort Worth was a direct hit with fans here.

He meant business right from the opening, shooting both hands and scoring easily. His left hook caught Boyd frequently but either hand carries the potential. Both were instrumental in sending the Houstonian down for keeps.

A Tampa favorite, Joe "Top Cat" Gholston, at 180, spotted Richie Yant 23 pounds and went on to take a unanimous decision in six rounds. It was Gholsten's 16th pro win. Yant is from Houston.

Walter "Snake" White, 177, took on 11 pound heavier Gene Idolettee, of Vero Beach, and beat him in six.

Frank "Smokey Joe" Young, 157, Houston, ended his bout with Tampan Saw Pretty, 159, in 59 seconds of the second round. A pair making their pro debuts, Rodney Cooper, 129, Houston, and Ray Padron, 129, Tampa, took turns hitting the canvas. Cooper was down first but he got back up to drop Padron for good, all in the first round.

▲ **TAMPA**—Flushed with the success, financially as well as artistically over its first promotion when Ring Post 50 sponsored the Tony Licata-Luis Galvan card several months ago, President Ray Schneider and Secretary Uly Valles pen in on future promotions. Tony (Half-Pint) Lopez, Jimmy Leto, Henry Raymond, Joey Raymond and Manuel Quintero will be seen here soon. . .Eddie Polido has a comer in welter J.T. Dowe, whose trainer happens to be Alvarez.

▲ **JACKSONVILLE, FLA.**—Another rally by Dennis Riggs, 160, enabled Florida middleweight leadership his custody after a 12 round ramble with Gene Wells at Maxwell Snyder Armory.

Riggs came from behind several times to clinch the decision awarded to him unanimously by judges Julian Jackson (117-115), Johnny Joca (117-114), and Chuck Steger, (115-114).

Wells, of Louisville and Miami, 156½, a smaller edition and look-alike of Cassius Clay, earned the shot when on a previous card in a six rounder he challenged Riggs, from ringside. Almost coming to blows then, Riggs, accepted and the newsies, radio and TV people took over. Result: the biggest crowd in years.

The fight was even for nine rounds and Riggs grabbed the 10th and 11th. Wells tried for the kayo, his only hope, in the 12th. He won it but was short when the scoring was announced. Both fighters were given a stand-up ovation. From start to finish they matched punches but the difference, and it told, was the local fighter's more authoritative blows. The attendance was more than 2,000.

The show-stealer, J.T. Dowe, of Tampa, stunned everyone with a blistering left hook attack on the more experienced local favorite, Charlie "Baby" Fullard. The bout for two rounds featured their best weapons but Dowe's cornermen, China Alvarez, (his trainer) and second Ray Delgado, spotted a weakness. In the third he answered with a left hook that dropped Charlie "Baby".

The Jacksonville welterweight arose but met more trouble. Referee Carl Sivers, who refereed the main event also, believed best to stop it and Dowe was a TKO winner. It was Dowe's third pro fight and second win.

George Clarke, 165, Brunswick, split decisioned Leon Futch, 165, Augusta, in six.

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KID CASEY TAKES TEN ROUNDER FROM MALDONADO

By GEORGE D. BLAIR

NILES, ILL. — Efren Maldonado, 157, St. Paul, dropped a unanimous ten round decision to Kid Casey, 160, Chicago at the Mill Run Theater.

Even though Maldonado injured his shoulder in the second round, which prevented full use of his left jab, it was a great fight which drew the applause of the 776 fans. Maldonado's record slipped to 11-4-1.

▲**MILWAUKEE, WISC.** — Gary Broughton of Brantford, Ont. scored a major upset by taking a split decision over veteran Art Hernandez, of Des Moines, in a ten round middleweight bout at the Eagles Club before 1,013 fans.

Hernandez was down in the fifth round from a left hook, and for the remaining five rounds it was a struggle for Art.

In the only other fight on the card, middleweight Reynaldo "Rocky" Martinez of Milwaukee won a six round decision over Tom Paxton, of Cleveland.

▲**LAS VEGAS, NEV.** — Aaron Eastling, 194, St. Paul, fighting for the first time in over a year, was knocked out by Lonnie Bennett, 181, Los Angeles in three rounds at the Silver Slipper.

▲Pat O'Connor, light heavyweight, has been living and doing his training in Phoenix, Arizona where his trainer Mickey Davitt resides. With a dearth of good sparring partners in Minnesota, Davitt and O'Connor felt the move was necessary.

CLARK BEAT O'HALLORAN, ●BUT FIGHT IS NO CLASSIC●

By JOHN GREENSMITH

SAN DIEGO, CALIF. — It wasn't a memorable fight by any stretch of the imagination. But heavyweight Henry Clark showed 1780 fans at the Coliseum why he is the California state leader as he took a unanimous 10-round decision over Jack O'Halloran.

Off slowly, as usual, Clark (215) warmed to the task after three rounds and despite a left eye that closed as the fight progressed, managed to pile up points with a varied attack that included some body punches that strayed south of the border. Clark landed the more effective punches.

Giant Jack, who now fights out of San Diego, was well-conditioned at 238½ and showed a much-improved offense, with a good left jab. He moved well for a big guy and took all Clark tossed at him without blinking. Had he used his right more and thrown combinations it could have been his fight.

The voting was 5-2, 4-3 and 4-3 in favor of Clark, who at the finish looked more like the loser with his left eye closed and blood tricking from his nostrils.

The bout was a financial success, doing $11,500 for promoter Lou Lake.

TASCI STOPS GUILLERONO ● IN SEMI AT SYRACUSE ●

By VINCE JIM LEO

SYRACUSE, N.Y. — It will be some time before this town gets over the disappointment of having seen Billy Backus beaten by Hedgemon Lewis. Local fans had approached that fight with confidence and the belief that Backus was headed back to the welter title. But it just wasn't to be.

On the Lewis-Backus undercard, in an action-filled semi-final bout scheduled for eight, Ahmet Tasci, 128, Turkey, scored a seventh round T.K.O. win over Taco Guillerono, 134, Ecuador. Tasci made a big hit with the Syracuse audience.

Improving Willie Wilson, Utica, 176, scored a first round knockout over Angel Merced, 172, Puerto Rico. The bout, scheduled for six, went on after the main event.

In the six-round opener, Emerito Morales, 174, Puerto Rico was a decision winner over John D'Amore, 172, Rome, N.Y.

▲Light heavy Tommy Hicks, Ithaca, N.Y., was a Miami Beach victor as he scored a 10 round decision win over heavyweight Brian O'Melia, of Jersey City. Hicks, 178; 198 for O'Melia. In a previous appearance Hicks KO'd Vern McIntosh in seven.

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attacking style—and most of the international boxing press that swarmed into Paris were quick to agree.

Yet, there was suspense before the bout. Monzon is an open fighter, easy to hit. Bouttier was quicker and could hit hard with either hand. And strangely, at ringside, there were reports that Oscar Bonavena, who came over to see his countryman, was predicting Bouttier would win.

Benvenuti changed his mind and said he liked the Frenchman's chances a lot.

There were two things they were forgetting Bouttier's nervousness, and Monzon.

During the introductions, Bouttier had closed his eyes tightly (a Monzon thumb would temporarily do the same to the Frenchman's right eye in the tenth round), fear stretched tautly over his face, and he appeared to be praying.

He was tight and nervous and unable to execute his "game plan," which was to slide in quickly under taller Monzon's two-inch advantage in reach, get in a good shot, and run for his life. He often didn't hit before he ran and usually Monzon hit him before he did either.

Piling up points with his hammerlike left jab, one of the few in the business not connected to a heavyweight that can rock an opponent, Monzon had Bouttier set up for his overhand right.

Again and again the right exploded on Bouttier's features as the Frenchman seemingly forgot lesson No. 1 hold your left up. The left, it seemed, was cocked and ready for the big blow. It came out of nowhere in the sixth round.

Nobody has ever knocked Monzon down and in the sixth it didn't seem probable that Bouttier would even get close. The Frenchman was knocked into the ropes early in the round and Monzon, sensing the kill, moved in. It seemed only a question of time before the Argentine was going to end it. Then the left exploded.

Rising from the floor, it snapped against the piece of rock that Monzon must keep in his jaw. This time, however, the rock cracked a bit. Monzon wobbled, Bouttier looked up in surprise and now he was the hunter. The mouse was chasing the cat. And the cat struck back.

Although his punches seemed dead and heavy now, Monzon put together a flurry which sent Bouttier down. The Frenchman got up at 6 and dazedly continued his chase.

To prove how staggered Monzon was—and of course he denied it later, saying, "What left hook? I didn't see any."—Bouttier was able to wrestle him to the canvas, a feat that normally would require a King Kong.

Bouttier was in no great shape to go hunting and by the eighth round his prey had recovered. From then on it became a question of whether the Frenchman could sneak in another "made in the U.S.A." hook before Monzon beat his head off.

After a staggering series of straight rights near the end of the 12th round left Bouttier dizzy and sick and out on his feet, Bretonnel decided that the hook was not going to save his man.

There was a wan smile on Bouttier's face when the bell rang and his manager would not let him get off the stool. There were tears in his eyes, also.

But he had not been disgraced and is still a valuable property, the European champion and only a few fights away from being a world contender again.

Monzon himself said Bouttier could become champion in two years (Carlos must be thinking about retiring around that time) and paid him a greater tribute: "He's a gentleman in the ring, a real sportsman."

The fight-mad French, who were seeing their first middleweight title bout since Marcel Thil abandoned the crown in 1937, responded with a live gate of more than $500,000 a record for a French sports event, left the stadium quietly, still dreaming of Cerdan.

Monzon received $130,000, Bouttier reportedly got more.

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rounds.

By the time Backus aroused himself to the realization that he was a loser, he had blown his chance. Or at least, Lewis had belted it out of him.

The promoters in Syracuse and Napoles are involved in a suit in which the Mexican is represented by Coast barrister Caruso. The court proceedings will be watched with keen interest by all boxing.

Meanwhile, The Ring continues to hold that world championships are won and lost in the roped arena and not in Commission offices.

As for the fight, Lewis, 145½, using his longer reach to good advantage, scored with lightning left jabs and hooks in keeping the aggressive Backus, 146¼, away.

A quick left hook spilled Backus in round two for the mandatory eight count. Billy bounced up quickly, embarrassed, and full of fight. Lewis, though, continued scoring and piling up points and pulling away from the danger zone.

Hedgemon built up an early lead and Backus's pressing attacks became more effective during the later rounds as he rammed home some good body shots. All three officials favored Lewis with his early round buildup.

STOPPING QUARRY NO FEAT FOR WELL-CONDITIONED CLAY

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kept a deep secret. There is no talk along that line in Philadelphia, Beaufort or Margate. The Ring is inclined to doubt the authenticity of the story. It has not been able to find out where Turley got it.

Frazier did have an attack of boxers' kidney after the Clay fight. But it cleared up in a few weeks. It is not an unusual ailment for fighters who have been under great tension and have taken some hard punches in the kidney region.

One thing seems to be indicated and that is much more careful medical examination of boxers about to go into competition.

A report from Omaha, where Frazier stopped Ron Stander, has it that the physical examinations of the contestants were of only cursory nature and that the Nebraska Commission does not require more than the application of the stethoscope.

It would be well for all commissions to demand blood examinations for boxers before major fights.

Well, so much for all that. Let's go back to the seventh round stoppage of Quarry by Clay at Las Vegas.

Many of the fans felt that referee Mike Kaplan was hasty in stopping the fight. But Mike took the humane view. Quarry might have lasted another round before hitting the deck for ten or more.

Cassius, seeing his man fading out, waved to Kaplan and Mike acted at once.

Kaplan acted when Clay had Jerry against the ropes, with the Muslim punching at will.

The fifth round found the engagement lacking in interest. Clay had been jabbing, uppercutting and cavorting rather than fighting with KO intent.

Clay was all the way down to 216½ while Jerry hit the beam at 198.

Jerry blamed his bad fight, in part, on his brother Mike's fourth-round KO by Bob Foster in the preceding fight in that ring. Mike was knocked out in four rounds with such vigor that he was out for more than a minute and had everybody scared.

"Mike's knockout took it all out of me," said Jerry. It is interesting that the New York Garden made a strong bid for the Clay-Quarry fight but refused to hook it up with Foster and Mike. Jerry said, "Mike is on the card or no go." The Garden replied, "No go."

Jerry pointed out that while he was beaten, he did not hit the canvas.

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AUCAMP, SITHOLE STAR IN SOUTH AFRICAN RINGS

By ED CLARK

SPRINGS, SOUTH AFRICA — At the Kwa Thema Civic Centre it was the semi-windup that stole the show as Anthony (Kid Snowball) Sithole K.O.'d Simon "Sugar Razor" Monamodi in 2 minutes 57 seconds of the 8th. and final round of their bantamweight fight.

Jabbing from the first bell he had Monamodi off balance and when Monamodi landed blows they were borderline and he was warned.

Sithole plodded after his man and went for him hammer and tongs. A long left hook in the final stanza had Monamodi down for the mandatory count and a flurry of blows put him down again but he was counted out on his feet.

Norman Sekgapane was too superior for substitute Moses Mashigo in a lightweight bout billed as the top-liner. Moses was counted out in the fourth after being knocked down in the third.

Andries Moloi outscored Simon "Fighting Priest" Nxawe, 6, jun. lightweights. William Molatudi outscored Dennis Mashigo, 6, (bantamweights.)

▲**JOHANNESBURG** — At the Ellis Park Tennis Stadium fans rolled up for the sixth chapter, between Sarel Aucamp and challenger Kosie Smith for Aucamp's light-heavyweight title. At the end of a gruelling battle Aucamp retained his title. Smith surprised by electing to box his man and was ahead at the half way stage. A short left hook dropped Aucamp in the third and a short right hander did likewise in the fifth.

The older Aucamp, expected by many to fade in the latter rounds, took command of the fight and as Smith became wilder with his punches Aucamp built up a commanding lead. Smith tried hard in the final round with wild swinging tactics but Aucamp held on to win.

In a hectic fight Arnold Taylor, bantamweight and featherweight champion, K.O.'d Hansie van Rooyen in the sixth round of a featherweight contest. It was a crude fight with much pushing, pulling and butting, plus clowning by van Rooyen.

Welterweight champion Gert Steyn needed only 85 seconds to K.O. Ronnie du Preez. With a right to the head Steyn shook his man. Two solid left hooks to the body and head and it was over.

Dougie de Wet K.O'd Connie Geel 3, light-heavyweights. Harry Barbaris and Chris du Plessis drew over 4 (Welterweights.)

▲**DURBAN** — Middleweight sensation Elijah Makhathini, 159, scored the biggest win of his short career when he K.O.'d middleweight champion Sydney Hoho, 163½, in the seventh round at Curries Fountain. Both boys are southpaws. The first two rounds were feelers but in the third Hoho had Makhathini on the retreat.

Makhathini meant business in the fourth as a left jab to Hoho's face caught him unawares. Then a surprise right hook had Hoho reeling. Makhathini then threw caution to the winds and attacked strongly and in the seventh he caught Hoho with a short right to the jaw. Hoho went down and on rising ran into a barrage of blows, left and right punches to head and body. Hoho hit the deck three times before being counted out on his back.

Joe Ngidi, 158½, beat Phutuma Khuboni who was ruled out in the fourth for infringements. Khuboni weighed 158¼. John Fraser Mkhize, 118½, and Bashew Sibaca, 120¾, drew over i. Blakeney Matthews, 133¾, outscored Moses Mthembu, 135¾, over 8.

▲**EAST LONDON** — In the Community Centre, Duncan Village, unbeaten Nkosana Mgxali stopped substitute Joseph Ngidi in the third round of a lightweight contest. Mgaxji was on top thruout and in the third after Ngidi had been dropped twice the towel was thrown in. Thabo Moloko outscored Steve Khotle, flyweights, over 8.

▲**JOHANNESBURG** — Bantamweight champion Joe Gumede added the featherweight crown to his laurels when he battered Solomon Ramafikeng over 12 rounds at the Jabulani Ampitheatre. Gumede's punching power was the deciding factor but it was Ramafikeng who jabbed and hooked in the opening rounds. Gumede jabbed in the third and Solly scored with a right in close quarters but was rocked with a left. Ramafikeng scored well in the next two rounds. Then Gumede scored in the seventh with more than six right hooks and Ramafikeng was on queer street.

Solly was warned for holding in the 8th. and a hard right had Gumede in trouble. Gumede outpunched his man in the ninth and made Ramafikeng miss badly in the 10th. At in-fighting Gumede, known as "The Green Cobra," was too skillful and in the last round floored Ramafikeng with a left to the jaw. Ramafikeng was "spent in" but saw out the round on rubbery legs.

▲**PORT ELIZABETH** — At the Centenary Great Hall, New Brighton, Terence "Ace" Makaluza outpointed Moses Mthembu over 8 in a lightweight mauling and holding fight. Makaluza was on top in every round and Mthembu was content to counter. A flurry of blows and a timid right cross felled Mthembu who jumped to his feet, took the mandatory count, and clinched to last the distance. Joe Ngidi, Jr. K.O.'d Fundisile Kralo, 3 (Flyweights.)

▲**JOHANNESBURG** — A new venue for indoor boxing, the Portuguese Hall in Turffontein saw Chris Roos, 23 year old, heavyweight, go down on points against Celso Calzi of Italy over 8 rounds. Roos's display was below form, his punches were not cleanly landed and he was warned numerous times for butting. Calzi waited for Roos to attack then counterpunched and in the clinches he tied up Roos. Roos cut the Italian's left eye in the fourth but the visitor had the edge in solid blows and was applauded when given the decision.

Mike Schutte, heavyweight, whose last six fights lasted only 12 rounds was most impressive in winning all 8 rounds against veteran Spaniard Mariano Echevarria. Schutte, weighing over 200, is fast for a heavy and strong, and possesses a dangerous left hook. Echevarria, age 42, went into the fight with a will and the fans had action all the way.

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OWENS OVER TESSMAN IN HOUSTON 10-SPOT

By HALEY STRINGER

Houston, Tex, — Mark Tessman, the local schoolteacher, got another setback. Eddie Red Top Owens, 174½, from Springfield, Mass., got a unanimous ten-round decision over Mark.

A swollen lip, a bloodied nose, and a beating were what Tessman carried out of the action, which was minus a knockdown.

Owens carried out a possible match with Bob Foster. Tessman tried to overcome Bob and failed and it's a question if Owens packs the power to accomplish what Mark failed to do.

Tessman is said to be considering giving all his attention to his teaching career. He has been advised to do this.

RAMOS' STOCK RISES AFTER CARRASCO WIN

MADRID, Spain – For the third time, Mando Ramos, of Los Angeles, and Pedro Carrasco met in the ring, at the Sport Palace.

The American, of Mexican parents, made it two out of three and, in the eyes of the World Boxing Council, an organization which lacks world authority, became the lightweight champion of the world. The WBC sponsored fight was nothing more than an elimination.

There was a wildly partisan crowd of 12,000 in the Sport Palace as Ramos outpointed Pedro with something to spare.

In the first engagement between Ramos and Carrasco there was unpleasantness and there were rancors. This was on November 1971, here in Madrid, when Ramos was disqualified in the 11th round. There was a lot of debate as to the justice of the mandate.

Their second fight came in Los Angeles on February 18, when Ramos won a hard 15 rounder on points.

It was surprising that in this latest fight Carrasco went the limit of 15 rounds. He was decked twice in the first two rounds and appeared to be headed for defeat long before the expiration of the set 45 minutes.

–JOSE ALVAREZ

WORLD LIGHTWEIGHT TITLE

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Many observers were blocked from seeing what actually did happen by the angle of the bodies. But several others maintained they did see Duran knee Buchanan during the exchange.

According to Buchanan, "It could have been anything, I don't know. I was looking straight ahead." And as for being badly hurt while wearing a protective cup, Ken explained, "It lifted the cup right up. It caught me in the crotch."

Duran, of course, denied he had hit Buchanan low. Through an interpreter, he said, "No, no. I always fight clean, never with the knee. But he hit me a couple of times with his elbow."

Buchanan also maintained that he received no protection from the referee during the bout, claiming that "no matter where I put my head, Duran's head was there and it was cracking.

"I'll tell you one thing, when we fight again, I'll have to be assured I'll have a ref who will protect me. It was ridiculous the way Duran was getting away with head butts all night."

It was only the second defeat for the Scotsman as against 43 victories. For the unbeaten Duran it was his 25th KO triumph in 29 outings. Duran weighed 132¼, Buchanan 133½.

Perhaps it was Duran's swarming, Henry Armstrong-style of fighting that made Buchanan appear like a shadow of the man who thrilled Garden fans previously with his workmanlike performances against Donato Paduano and Ismael Laguna.

Or perhaps it was just that Ken had an off-night, unable to take command at any time. When it appeared as if the defending titleholder would come on and box like the Buchanan of yore, Duran would bull him into the ropes, connect with that chopping right, and burst the bubble.

But then came the unlucky 13th–the end for Buchanan and a taint on what should have been a clean victory for the Panamanian youngster with dynamite in his fists.

A tribute was paid to the late Nat Fleischer before the semi-final when the crowd was asked to stand in silent respect to his memory. The count of ten was tolled.

In the eight-round semi, Walter Seeley, 123¾, a southpaw, outfought Davey Vasquez, 123. The other four-round prelims saw Tommy Clark, 184¾, outpoint Manuel Collazo, 187; Steve Sims KO Freddy Bell, 141½, in the third; and Tommy Roane, 141, draw with Marty Richardson, 141.

WBC JR. WELTER TITLE

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Only twice in his long career has Arcari fought outside of Italy. This must operate against the acceptance of his world championship claims.

Arcari has not been beaten since 1966. He was whipped in nine rounds by Mario Consolati. Later Arcari defeated Consolati on a foul.

Arcari has won 41 straight. He has won four fights this year. He never has figured in a draw, and his two defeats were in his pro debut, against Salvatore Colella, who stopped him in five, and in the Consolati affair.

That Arcari is a southpaw has not hurt his career. Many boxers cannot solve the lefthanded puzzle and many will not tackle a lefty. It's like fearing witchcraft.

New York has seen Arcari just once. He fought a four-rounder against Pablo Lopez on the undercard to a Benvenuti-Griffith fight in Shea Stadium. Strange that he should have shown in so lowly a spot on the program.

As for Henrique, in his long sought shot at that portion of junior welter prestige, the Brazilian suffered from nervousness. His legs looked stiff. He was wild, his punches lacked power.

Arcari outboxed the Brazilian in every round. A left hook early in the twelfth round finished Joao. Each weighed 139½.

ERIN GO BRAGH! McALINDEN STOPS BODELL IN SECOND

LONDON, England – Jack Bodell's days as a factor in the British heavyweight situation are ended. Bodell was headed in the direction of his old pig farm at the World Sporting Club in Grosvenor House when Danny McAlinden knocked him out in two rounds. McAlinden thus became the first Irishman to gain the heavyweight championship of Great Britain.

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with his right or his left. The man from Missouri was defenseless, and offenseless.

It was one of the most innocuous fights for the welterweight championship in the history of the 147-pound class, and one of the worst showings of a top contender in the ratings.

There had been no easier welter title victory since Jimmy McLarnin stopped Young Corbett, III, at Los Angeles in one round on May 29, 1933.

Another softie was Jackie Fields' two-round victory over Joe Dundee in Detroit on July 25, 1929. However, this one was decided by a foul punch.

Napoles says that in no circumstances will he go to Syracuse to fight Backus again. This matter is in the civil courts.

Just who is to be Napoles' next challenger is not clear. The ratings help little to settle that problem.

WORLD LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHT TITLE

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"Jerry Foster." So he fouled it up even more by saying "that's not Jerry Foster, it's Mike Foster."

Poor Allen and Palance, both out of their element, talked far too much and didn't say much of anything. They also conducted innocuous interviews with a few show business celebrities, along with Joe Louis and George Foreman.

It is very doubtful whether Allen, who hadn't broadcast a boxing match in 25 years, will be called upon to do one for another 25 years. Mel really shouldn't be blamed too much. Boxing's not his game, baseball is. Neither he nor Palance should have been assigned the announcing chores in the first place. They both seemed as bewildered as Mike Quarry was after being popped by Foster.

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CANTIN SUPRISES PADUANO

By FRANK ALLNUTT

MONTREAL. . . . .Over 6,000 fans turned out at the Forum despite the 90-degree heat to see the Donato Paduano-Reynald Cantin fight. The weather was not the only thing that was hot. Over 12 rounds Cantin was hotter than a buzzsaw in winning an upset decision over 8-5 favorite Paduano.

At the weigh-in, Paduano scaled 152¾ to 147 for Cantin. Paduano had posted $1,000 to make 154. Cantin who gave away height, weight, reach and experience, seemed extremely confident.

Before the end of the initial round, the highly pro-Cantin fans began to warm up. Cantin had set the pattern of the fight, staying in close to Paduano and not allowing the favorite room to do any punching. Paduano had to back off from the pugnacious Cantin. By the end of the third, Cantin was beating Paduano to the punch, coming in under the left hand leads of his taller opponent. Cantin scored with clean hooks to the body and head and Paduano's face began to show signs of damage.

In the fifth, Paduano sustained a cut on his right eyebrow and fought the round with blood streaming from the wound. Despite his efforts, Paduano could not stop the aggressive Cantin, who was fighting a full three minutes every round. By the end of the ninth, it was obvious that Paduano had to pull a KO out of the bag to win. Cantin had taken his best shots but was still boring in.

Paduano had slightly the better of the final two rounds when he connected with some combination punches but he never at anytime had control of the fight. Cantin had made him fight his kind of fight from first to final bell. The fans gave both boys a terrific ovation at the end. There had been almost no clinching, no knockdowns and a fast pace throughout. Before the decision was announced, Cantin's fans had entered the ring and were chairing him on their shoulders.

Judge Nadeau saw it 56-54 for Cantin, Judge Therroux saw it 59-57 for Cantin but Judge Armond Brissette called it 58-58. The fight was called on the five point 'must' system. This corner saw it 57-54 for Cantin, and on rounds, 6-3-3.

The gate money was over $50,000, of which Paduano picked up $10,064 and Cantin sweetened his victory by picking up $7,748. The 21-year-old Cantin showed he is ready for any welterweight in Canada or the Commonwealth. An aggressive two fisted fighter and very well trained, Cantin gave the fans the type of fight they just love to see. The loss by Paduano has set back his plans slightly. There is little doubt that the two will be re-matched if possible. Nothing went right for Paduano in this one, Cantin won the fight because he took complete control. It was by far his most impressive win. Cantin now has a 21-2 record, Paduano 29-1-4.

Over eight fast well-fought rounds, Guerrara Chavez (Montreal) won a unanimous decision over Ray Rose of Montreal. Chavez, at 143½, had Rose in slight trouble at the close of the final round. Almost at the last bell, Rose took a two count. The cleaner punching of Chavez earned him the decision over an opponent who was two pounds heavier. It was Chavez's 16th win in 20 fights. Rose, taking part in his second bout in Canada, will be around for a while.

Marshall Butler (Montreal) 145 scored a fifth round K.O. over late replacement Serge Prouix (Montreal) 155. Try as he might Prouix was never in the picture against the fast hands and fast feet of Butler who just boxed his opponent to a complete standstill. This was Butler's eighth pro win in as many fights. He has more combinations than a short order cook. Cool, calm and confident, he is a delight to watch.

In a heavyweight eight, Bill Drover (Montreal), 203, was far from impressive in scoring a T.K.O. over a replacement in Larry Renaud (Montreal) 201. Badly out of condition, Renaud, who was having his first fight in four years, did well to last so long. Drover was wild with his punches and hardly landed one clean shot. When the fight was finally called at 2:07 of the seventh round, Renaud was all tuckered out, could not hold up his hands but was still on his feet.

Over six rounds, a pleasing scrap saw Jasmin Therrien (Montreal) 142 and Jim Henry (Montreal) 137 battle to a draw. Both boys slugged it out and drew loud applause from the fans.

Mike Brown and one Ben Serals of New York who were to have fought on the card were tossed out by the Montreal Commission when they both arrived with no credentials. This was the reason for the last minute replacements.

▲**SOREL, QUE.** — Joey Durelle, in a tune up fight before facing Dave Downey (Halifax) in a Canadian middleweight title fight, had nothing to fear in oft-beaten Danny Perez (New York). The mis-match lasted four rounds. Over ten rounds, Guerra Chavez (Montreal) scored a K.O. over Doug Charles (New York) in four. Jean Claude Le May (Montreal) decisioned Angio Marcedos (Puerto Rico) over eight. Angelo Millette (Montreal) decisioned Jim Henry (Montreal) over six.

▲**EDMONTON** — Billy McGrandle of Edmonton, former Canadian bantamweight champion, was among 74 people arrested in the city by a sweep of the R.C.M.P. and local police. McGrandle has been charged with trafficking in drugs.

▲**BAIE ST. ANNE, N.B.** — Yvon Durelle, former Canadian light heavyweight champion, recently lost all his possessions when his home was completely burned to the ground.

▲**BRANTFORD** — Three of Canada's most active fighters to date, billed as 'The Canadian Clippers,' are the three Summerhays brothers, Gary, Terry and Johnnie. Unable to keep his boys active in Canada, Frank Bricker, their manager and trainer, comes up with regular fights for his charges south of the border. The boys are big favorites with the fans in Akron and Scranton, and have future engagements in Baltimore and Cleveland.

In his last showing at Scranton, Gary Summerhays, fighting the main event, needed only four rounds to stop Walt Opshinsky (Scranton) in a light heavyweight match. Opshinsky, decked twice for nine counts in the third round, was unable to answer the bell for the fourth. Gary now has a 14-3 record and is the #1 contender for the Canadian light heavyweight title. Al Sparks, the present titleholder, will have to pull out all the stops to retain his title when and if he decides to face Summerhays.

Over eight rounds, the semi-final saw Terry Summerhays push his welterweight record to 15-2 with a unanimous decision over heavily favored Tony Berrior (Scranton). In winning, Terry showed beyond doubt that he can hold his own with any Canadian welter.

Lightweight Johnny Summerhays lost his first pro bout in dropping a close decision to unbeaten Willie Daniels (Philadelphia) over eight rounds. Both boys turned in a performance of boxing and punching which the fans enjoyed from the first to the last bell. There were no knockdowns in the fight which saw the decision go to Daniels at the final bell. Although it was close, it was a correct one. — Johnny now has a 13-1 record.

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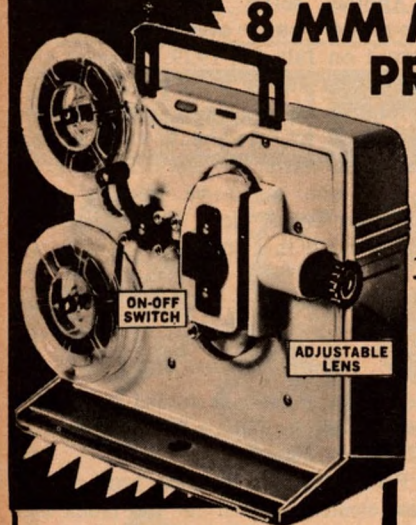

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BOGGS SPLITS WAY TO ● DECISION AGAINST PUGH ●

By JOE POODLES, SR.

BALTIMORE, MD. — Buddy Boggs, 149, won his second split ten round decision over Percy Pugh, 146½, New Orleans, at Steelworkers Hall.

Six weeks previously Boggs won a controversial split decision and in this rematch the argument started all over again. The action was fast throughout the ten rounds, with the lead swinging from one to the other.

The fans got so heated up that many stood on seats to get a better view and it was a wonder that the seats didn't collapse.

This was the fourth time Boggs had sold out the arena on Eli Hanover's promotions. It was Boggs 13th straight win.

The first three four round preliminaries ended in the first round. Philadelphian Mike Everett, 142, stopped David Rose, 147, of High Point, N.C.

Ronnie McGarvey, 126, Hillcrest, Md., put the quietus on Bobby Byrd, 126, Winston Salem, N.C., McGarvey didn't waste any time.

George Reilly, 138, Luzerne, Pa. Kayoed Larry Duncan, 136, High Point, N.C. after being on the deck himself. The long haired Duncan had trouble seeing his opponent. George's brother Jimmy Reilly, 159, also scored a kayo but it took him three rounds to polish off Willie Crockett, 158½, Winston Salem, N.C.

Billy Bell, 139, Washington, won a 4 round split decision over Steve Holt 142, of Baltimore.

O'CONNOR DRIVES BURDEN ● INTO RETIREMENT IN ONE ●

By GEORGE B. BLAIR

ST. PAUL, MINN. — Rochester's Pat O'Connor, fighting with unusual reckless abandon, dropped Brian Kelly Burden, Cushing, Okla. three times in the first round when the referee stopped the contest at 2:05.

O'Connor never let Burden get started as the fight was only seconds old, when after a flurry of punches, a hard right hand to the face knocked Burden flat on his back.

Burden was back up and full of fight, but another combination sent him down again. Burden, still apparently unhurt was pummeled into the ropes and floored with a left to the head. Referee Billy McCabe then stopped the fight.

O'Connor, now 29-0, weighed in at 168½, Burden's record is 33-7. He weighed 170. Burden announced his retirement after the fight.

There was no announcement of the Auditorium crowd or gate, but there looked to be around 2,500 fans who cheered Pat on.

In the semi final, Tom Van Hoof, 175, Winona, Minn. (6-1) received a gift six round decision over tough John Townsend, 175, Milwaukee (0-1). Townsend looked a clear winner.

Curt Yancey, 170, Minneapolis (2-8) stopped Bob Hill, 165, St. Paul, (6-8-3) at 2:25 of the fourth round.

Rodney Bobick, 242, Bowlus, Minn. (3-0) won a four round decision over Jim Cable, 246, Minneapolis (0-2). One amateur bout completed the show.

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By AL FENN

PHOENIX, ARIZ. — The Arizona Athletic Commission, in an unprecedented move, changed the decision of a fight held at Riverside Ballroom April 17.

Reco Brooks, 210, Phoenix, had been declared the loser in a 10-round bout with Vic Scott, 215, Los Angeles.

That night Brooks went to the hospital for kidney stones. The Commission headed by Eric Thorne then voted that the fight be declared "No contest." That's the way it goes into the records.

On the same card, Art Alderete, 160, Phoenix, stopped a rugged Indio Bastidas, 160, Mexico in 2:30 of round one.

Checo Felix, 125, Mexico, disposed of Clay Hutchinson, 120, Phoenix, in round three.

Hill Chambers, 170, Mesa, Ariz. and Benny (Kid) Barra later drew in a 10-rounder at Riverside.

It was a thriller that could have gone either way. Chamers took Barra's best shots and waded in.

The semi-main was action packed. Gabe Peralta, 147, Phoenix, came back from a first round knockdown to score a decision in 10 over Joe Moreno, 146, Mexico.

Jorge Valenzuela, 118, Mexico, stopped Jaime Cejas, 118, Phoenix, in the first.

Pat O'Connor has made Phoenix his home, moving from Rochester, Minn.

JOE LOUIS HAS JOB IN ● LAS VEGAS "PALACE" ●

By ABE HOCHHEISER

LOS ANGELES, CAL. — ABE ROTH, former West Coast referee died at Los Angeles. Among those at his funeral were George Parnassus, Tom Gallery and Suey Welch.

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▲L.C. MORGAN, welterweight of the 50's and 60's, who fought Glen Flanagan, Charley Bad News Austin and Jose Napoles is now a trainer at the Los Angeles Main Street gym.

▲Los Angeles welterweight Hedgemon Lewis and Billy Mahoney have parts in the motion picture "Fat City".

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▲Boxing names employed at Caesar's Palace, Las Vegas, are former manager Jimmy Grippo, Joe Louis, former lightweight champ Paddy DeMarco and Ralph Dupas, welterweight of the 50's and 60's.

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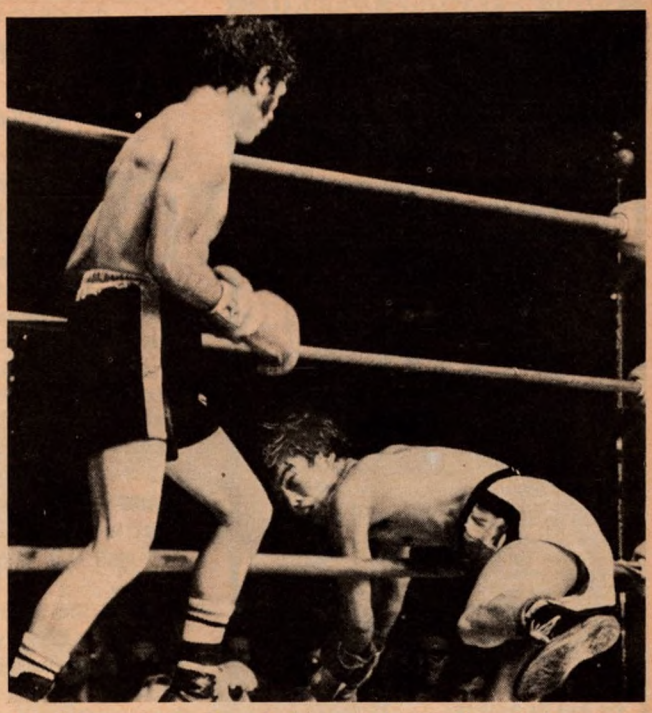
CARMONA'S 3-ROUND KO OF TAKAYAMA COAST FEATURE

By DON FRASER



The end is near for Jorge Rodriguez as he slips through the ropes during the eighth round of his contest with Joe Medrano, who was awarded a TKO at 2:11 of the round. The bout was held at the Olympic Auditorium.

LOS ANGELES, CALIF. – It was another Mexico vs. Japan night at the Olympic. As usual, the Below-Border battlers got their hands raised.

Changa Carmona, 136, holder of the Mexican lightweight title, was impressive in stopping the Japanese champion, Masataka Takayama, 135, Tokyo, in the third round.

Carmona let the Japanese boy set the pace and as a result, he dropped the first two rounds. The third was a different story as the Mexican came out smoking and sent Takayama through the ropes with a crushing right to the chin.

Takayama managed to beat the count, but was soon in trouble from a barrage. Referee George Latka halted the carnage.

In a co-feature, Leoncio Ortiz, 134, Vera Cruz, gave Tosh Komiyago, 138, Tokyo, a licking. Referee Rudy Jordan stopped it in the sixth round.

The crowd of 5,100 paid $19,707. Chuck Goodrun, 118, Bell, stopped Jose Olivo, 120¾, East Los Angeles, (1); David Love, 159, San Diego, decisioned Frankie Gastelum, 156, Anaheim, (6); Juan Alvarez, 132, Los Angeles, knocked out Jose La Pizco, 135¼, San Diego, (1); Rayo Espazza, 134, Los Angeles, KO over Adolfo Albarran, 133, East Los Angeles, (4); Kenny Brooks, 135½, West Los Angeles, technical draw with Ricardo Valenzuela, 137, East Los Angeles, (1).

▲**LOS ANGELES** – Just out of the preliminary ranks, Joe Medrano, 126, Los Angeles, scored a mild upset in stopping Jorge Rodriguez, 128, Mexicali, Mex., in the eighth round of their scheduled 10 at the Olympic.

It was a punch for punch thriller with Rodriguez having the best of it in the early rounds. But, by the sixth, Carlos' left eye was closed and he was soaking up punishment.

A crisp right hand spilled Rodriguez in the seventh and he was in trouble in the eighth when referee Larry Rozadilla halted it after 1:28.

The underdog was ahead on all cards going into the eighth round.

David Love, 156½, San Diego, decisioned Roberto Villaneuva, 159, Culver City, (6); Jorge Rivera, Los Angeles, 144, and Sammy Musquez, 138½, Los Angeles, drew (6).

▲**INGLEWOOD** – Orlando de la Fuente, who doubles in brass as an actor and boxer, has decided to take his ring career seriously.

The rangy middleweight turned in a first class demonstration of defensive boxing to eke out a 10 round split decision over Indian George Davis at the Forum.

Davis forced the action throughout, but missed more punches than he landed. De la Fuente was able to counter to lefts and rights. There were no knockdowns.

Referee George Latka favored Davis, 5-3, but was overruled by judges Dick Steele, and Rudy Jordan, who agreed with a 5-4 tally. De la Fuente weighed 161½ and is from East Los Angeles. Davis, Okaland, also came in at 161½.

John Huntley, 158, Los Angeles, outpointed Danny Kimberling, 157½, Oakland, (6); Steve Ewell, 157, Oakland, KO over John Dunn, 157, Los Angeles, (5); Renato Garcia, 149½, Santiago, Chile, KO over Tony Morales, 150, East Los Angeles, (1).

▲**SAN DIEGO** – Jack (The Giant) O'Halloran, 244½, Boston, had the strength to hold off veteran Fred (Preacher) Lewis, 181, Sacramento, in their 10-rounder at the Coliseum.

Big Jack was just too powerful and was able to smother Lewis, a 36-year-old member of the Air Force.

Kenny Brooks, 136, Los Angeles, decisioned David Ibarra, 134½, San Diego (6); Eleazar Juarez, 147½, Tijuana, decision over Gonzalo Rodriguez, 148, National City, (6); John Holterhoff, 174, San Diego, outpointed Gary Gahn, 178, San Diego, (4).

▲**INGLEWOOD** – Irish Frankie Crawford, a late substitute, stole the show at the Forum as he held heavily favored Chucho Alonzo of Mexico City to a 10 round draw.

Crawford was a replacement for Juan Collado, who was subbing for Ruben Navarro. The North Hollywood Irishman had been off for several months and advised to retire following a one round knockout at the hands of Ben Villaflor in January.

However, Frankie was in condition and had the experience to give young Alonzo plenty of problems. The first three rounds went to the Mexican southpaw, then Crawford started making his both.

Powerful left hooks by Crawford started finding the mark. Midway in the seventh, it was three straight hooks that sent Alonzo to the floor. He took an eight count and managed to stay out of trouble after that.

Referee George Latka favored Crawford, 6-4; judge Eddie Fierro tabbed Alonzo 4-3, while judge Larry Rozadilla had it all even, 4-4. Crawford weighed 131, Alonzo, 131½.

In a second ten, another favorite, Armando Muniz, 149, East Los Angeles, unquestionably was outboxed and outsmarted by veteran Raul Soriano, 150½, Mexicali.

Famoso Gomez, 118, Mexico City, carved up Cesar Desiga, 119, Tijuana, to win on a TKO in the seventh. This was a bantamweight title elimination bout.

Unbeaten Bobby Chacon, 126½, San Fernando, stopped Luis Robles, 129, Mexico, in the first round.

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CASSIDY LOSES TO GONZALEZ BY TKO IN SEVEN HEATS, THEN RIOT BREAKS OUT

By SAM TAUB

EVERYTHING was O.K., the final bout had been halted by Dr. Frank Guarino, who made his decision to referee Arthur Mercante. Then another hassle occurred in the Felt Forum and it was a pretty hot one while it lasted.

Bobby Cassidy, Levittown, Long Island, was declared a T.K.O. seventh round victim of Jose Gonzalez, from Arroya, Puerto Rico. He had suffered a cut over the right eye in the second round and it worsened. Gonzalez had the fight well in hand up to the time it was stopped. All officials agreeing on that point.

Then the winner went over to talk to Cassidy, allegedly apologizing for butting, which was not clear. Then Bobby, smarting over the loss, retorted with a lunge at Gonzalez. That did it.

Immediately several characters jumped into the ring, a melee broke out as fans started going home. One fellow hurled a couple of chairs, the cops were busy, several people were bruised and a few arrests made. Plenty of police were on hand.

As for the fight, Cassidy, a nice fellow personally, didn't look too good. Gonzalez, who knows how to handle himself, even pulled the old Kid McCoy trick in the opening round, telling Bobby his shoe lace was untied. But that was near the end of the heat and nothing developed.

Jose tossed plenty of leather, mid-riff being his special target. Cassidy just couldn't untrack himself.

While Cassidy lost, the other Irish gladiator on the card, Walter Seeley, a product of Sayville, Long Island, won his co-feature ten from Azael Curet, New York, albeit he was down for an automatic eight count from a left hook to the jaw in the first round.

Seeley, like Cassiday, also a southpaw, got going after the second round and piled up plenty of points. He got a unanimous award. Seeley weighed 127½, Curet, 131.

It took Frederico Bell, from Panama City, Panama, 148, just 43 seconds to eliminate Eddie Vargas, New York, 142. Fred pounded his man hard and had him on the ropes when referee Mercante intervened.

Another four spot saw Pedro Guzman, Brooklyn, gain a majority victory over Salvador Ramirez, New York, both 126½.

Rodell Dupree, Jersey City, scored a T.K.O. in the third round over Henry Lawson, from New York, in a wild swinging affair when, after Dupree dropped his man for the automatic eight count, referee Vincent Rainone called things off, after 56 seconds.

KAMACI, FROM TURKEY, OVER GARCIA IN TEN; HIDALGO DECISIONS ESPADA

By SAM TAUB

The first of the two June cards at Madison Square Garden's Felt Forum fights in New York saw Cemal Kamaci, from Istanbul, Turkey, returned a unanimous winner over world traveler Angelo Robinson Garcia, of Venezuela, in ten rounds. Referee Harold Valan and Judges Ray Kozak and Bernie Friedkin all voted for Kamaci.

This was their second meeting. They had engaged in an eight spot some time ago. The outcome then was like that in the Forum. Garcia started slowly but we thought he was doing well as the fight progressed.

Garcia suffered a cut left eye in the third round but both of his opponent's eyes were slashed in the sixth. There were no knockdowns.

Kamaci was agressive but not startling. This was his 29th fight, with the record standing at 24 wins, 2 losses and three draws.

Garcia has now had 191 engagements, with 118 wins, 54 setbacks and 18 draws. Angelo showed more moves than his opponent even though he had little time to train for the fracas. Both scaled 141.

In a brace of sixes, Vilomar Fernandez, 130 pounds, defeated a fellow New Yorker, Gilberto Mendez, 126, while Gregory Benetez, from Carolinas, P.R., scored over Guillermo Taco, from Ecuador, a pair of 131 pounders. Both decisions unanimous.

In a four, Tommy Roane, Brooklyn, unanimously registered over Joe Grier, from Paterson, a pair of 141 pounders. Michael Adams, New York, 203½, needed only 1:27 of the first round to despatch Bob Crutison, White Plains, 207.

▲They closed out the Spring series of fights in the Garden's Felt Forum with a ten spot between Angel Espada, of Salinas, Puerto Rico, 146, and Dario Hidalgo, Dominican Republic, 149½. It resulted in a split decision for Hidalgo. . .Everything was O.K. except many failed to see how Espada could have missed, scoring a knockdown in the fifth round and cutting his foe over the right eye in the seventh.

The crowd was mixed in their feelings about the decision. . .Referee Georgie Coyle had it 6-3-1 for Hidalgo, as did Judge Tony Castellano, 5-4-1, while the other judge, Artie Aidala, had it even in rounds and giving it to Espada 6-5- on points, mainly because of the knockdown. But for the bell that left hook could have wound it up in the fifth.

Espada is a clever performer, with the moves, while Hidalgo is a real toughy, courageous to a fault and never quits trying, even though he took some hefty rights to the body and lefts to the jaw.

The loser was the sharper puncher although Hidalgo was tossing lots of leather himself. It was a honey, but we had the Puerto Rican ahead at the final bell.

Two of the four preliminaries, a trio of sixes and one four, ended via T.K.O.'s. Barney Smith, alternate referee, called off the Ray Villaneuva, Puerto Rico middleweight, tussle after 42 seconds of the second round, after a right crumpled Bill Stewart, from New York's Harlem, to the canvas and then the referee called it off. The winner scaled 156 and the loser 159½. Stewart, incidentally, was also decked twice in the opening round.

Another six saw Ramon Veros, Dominican Republic, 156, gain a unanimous win over local Charles Hayward, 160, while another unanimous win was registered in the first six, Fernando Jiminez, New York, 127, outpointing Ricky Villaneuva, Jersey City, 130.

In a four rounder, Pedro Guzman, New York, 127, scored a fourth round K.O. over Dario Albarron, Brooklyn, 123¼, Referee Smith calling it off after a right put the Brooklyn boy down for a count of eight.

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FINNEGAN KEEPS TITLE AS LUBBERS LEAVES IN EIGHTH

By RON OLVER

LONDON, England – At Royal Albert Hall, Chris Finnegan successfully defended his European lightheavyweight title by knocking out Jan Lubbers, Holland, after two minutes of the eighth round. Finnegan was far superior to his opponent, and believe it or not, this was the first knockout of his career.

The Dutchman contributed to his own destruction as he walked into a right to the jaw and crashed to the canvas, ending up nearly out of the ring. He struggled hard to rise in time to beat the count, but in vain.

Lubbers had produced plenty of courage, but as far as skill was concerned Finnegan was the only man in it. It is doubtful if the Dutchman won a round.

Yet Lubbers, noted for his hard punching, was always dangerous. In the seventh a right to Finnegan's face was followed by a similar punch near the right eye, which started to swell ominously.

Finnegan confessed afterwards that the punch hurt him, but he was glad Lubbers didn't realize how much. Apart from this, Chris brought his southpaw right into play to jab Lubbers' head off, brought blood from his nose, and the Dutchman must have welcomed the bell ending the fifth.

In the following session Finnegan was punishing his man freely, and all Lubbers had was his pluck. It could have been stopped there and then, but such was the Hollander's gameness that he came back to hurt Finnegan in the seventh.

Finnegan picked his punches well at the start of the eighth, Lubbers was getting weaker and weaker, and when Chris decided the time was ripe he opened with punches from both hands. As Lubbers tottered he walked into that right hand, and that was the end of the Dutch challenge. Each weighed 170¼.

Having proved that he is the best light heavyweight in Europe, Finnegan's next will probably be a fight with Bob Foster for the world crown, in Britain.

Former British, European and Empire heavyweight champion Joe Bugner, 215¾, turned in another quick win by beating Doug Kirk, America, 186¾, the referee stopping the bout in the fifth.

Some of the fans didn't take kindly to referee Harry Gibbs' verdict, as Kirk hadn't been floored. But he was well behind on points, and had little but his gameness.

Bugner jabbed well at the start, and Kirk's mouth bled The latter was willing enough, but his blows were of the light

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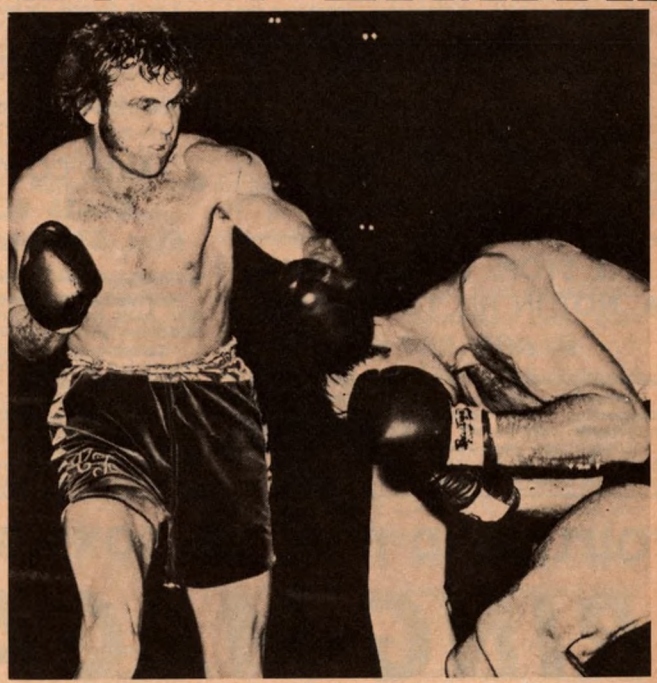

Chris Finnegan pounds away at Dutch challenger Jan Lubbers, who attempts to cover up. Finnegan, the European light heavyweight titleholder, scored an eight-round KO at London's Royal Albert Hall.

BRITISH EMPIRE RATINGS

AS OF JULY 15, 1972

HEAVYWEIGHT

Champion
Danny McAlinden (I)

1. George Chuvalo (C)
2. Jack Bodell (E)
3. Joe Bugner (E)
4. Bill Drover (C)
5. Billy Aird (E)
6. Bunny Johnson (J)
7. Rocky Campbell (An.)
8. Richard Dunn (E)
9. Mani Vaka (T)
10. Wendell Newton (Bah.)

CRUISERWEIGHT

Champion
Chris Finnegan (E)

1. Johnny Frankham (E)
2. Ronnie Wilson (C)
3. Baby Boy Rolle (Bah.)
4. Gomeo Brennan (Bah.)
5. Eddie Avoth (W)
6. Lloyd Walford (J)
7. Roy John (W)
8. Dave Hawkes (E)
9. Johnny Gorkum (A)
10. Alf Sparks (C)

MIDDLEWEIGHT

Champion
Tony Mundine (A)

1. Bunny Sterling (J)
2. Donato Paduano (C)
3. Don McMillan (S)
4. Kevin Finnegan (E)
5. Mark Rowe (E)
6. Matt Donovan (T)
7. Carlos Marks (T)
8. Eric Blake (E)
9. Harry Scott (E)
10. Jimmy Mitchell (C)

WELTERWEIGHT

Champion
Ralph Charles (E)

1. Clyde Gray (C)
2. Peter Cobblah (G)
3. Bunny Grant (J)
4. Eddie Blay (G)
5. Marshall Butler (C)
6. John H. Stracey (E)
7. Fernand Marcotte (C)
8. Bobby Arthur (E)
9. Ricky Porter (E)
10. Wayne Bannister (A)

LIGHTWEIGHT

Champion
Percy Hayles (J)

1. Ken Buchanan (S)
2. Joe Tetteh (G)
3. Al Ford (C)
4. Manny Santos (NZ)
5. Jeff White (A)
6. Jim Watt (S)
7. John O'Brien (S)
8. Hector Thompson (A)
9. Rex Redfern (A)
10. Johnny Cheshire (E)

FEATHERWEIGHT

Champion
Toro George (NZ)

1. Love Allotey (G)
2. Evan Armstrong (S)
3. Jimmy Bell (S)
4. Tommy Glencross (S)
5. Howard Hayes (E)
6. Lucky Gattellari (A)
7. Bobby Dunn (A)
8. Bill Moeller (A)
9. Mick Heafey (A)
10. Rocky McDougall (C)

BANTAMWEIGHT

Champion
Alan Rudkin (E)

1. Johnny Clark (E)
2. Paul Ferreri (A)
3. John Kellie (S)
4. David Needham (E)
5. Paddy Maguire (I)
6. Paddy Graham (I)
7. Colin Miles (W)
8. Harry Hayes (A)
9. Joe Annetta (A)
10. Willie Leslie (A)

FLYWEIGHT

Champion
Henry Nissen (A)

1. John McCluskey (S)

Legend: An Antigua; A Australia; B Bahamas; C Canada; E England; Fi Fiji Islands; G Ghana; Gu Guyana; In India; I Ireland; J Jamaica; M Malta; N Nigeria; Nz New Zealand; S Scotland; T Trinidad; To Tonga; W Wales; Bh British Honduras; Z Zambia.

DOWNEY BY KO IN 10 OVER HOLIDAY IN HALIFAX

By MIKE DOHERTY

HALIFAX, NOVA SCOTIA — Well conditioned Canadian middleweight champion, Dave Downey (158½) of Halifax, came out of an 18 month layoff to post a 10th round T.K.O. over a highly rated Thurman "Doc" Holiday of South Carolina, before a responsive crowd at the Forum.

The bout was unexciting, but tough for the seven rounds. Both boxers opened up in the last three rounds with Downey landing more often and managing to open up a bad cut under the left eye of Holiday.

This cut forced referee Jim Greig to call a halt to the action at the 1:55 mark.

Ray Rose (142) of Montreal, impressed the crowd by scoring a unanimous decision over Lawrence Hafey (147) of New Glasgow. It was an excellent fight as both men boxed well and provided numerous toe to toe exchanges.

Archie Lee (160) of Halifax, and Darryl Desroches (168) of Summerside, P.E.I. staged a free swinging six rounder, with Lee taking a split decision.

A six rounder scheduled between Ray Jackson, of Halifax, and Larry Renault, of Montreal, had to be cancelled when Jackson failed to pass the Medical Examination.

LYLE STOPS BOSWELL BUT IS ● NOT IN HIS TOP FORM ●

By ROBERT J. RUIZ

OMAHA, NEBR. — The Frazier-Stander supporting card exhibited some of the midwest's best young and up-coming fighters.

Undefeated heavyweight from Denver, Ron Lyle, 212, ran his win streak to 15-0 by smashing Mike Boswell to a TKO defeat.

Boswell, 201, Ohio, hit the deck in the third but finished the round against the rangy Lyle. Boswell's seconds threw in the towel after the third, to give Ron a fourth round TKO.

Lyle has been knocking 'em dead, but was not impressive against Boswell, experienced journeyman. Lyle was sluggish and depended mostly on a jab.

Lightweight Dale Hernandez, Des Moines, brought down Ringo Carrington, Cleveland. Ringo went down three times in the fifth round to give Dale a TKO win. The youngest of the fighting Hernandez clan is now 11-1.

Middleweight Leon Washington, St. Louis, scored an upset knockout over Michael Reed, Omaha, in the fifth round. Reed, touted local favorite, fell apart at the seams for his first loss by KO.

Dick Pelster, 150, Mead, Nebr. won unanimous decision over Bobby Crawford, 141, Chicago. Six rounds.

In a pairing of sparring partners, Joe Frazier's man, Billy 'Moleman' Williams, 202, Philadelphia, won over Ron Stander's Stoney Land, 228, Los Angeles. 6 rounds.

Local Morris Jackson, 221, pounded out a unanimous decision over Lee Martin, 202, Toledo, in six. Jackson was overweight and sluggish but came on strong and had Martin on the verge of a KO in the last round.

EVANGELISTA ● TAKES COLOMBIA TITLE, ● BEATS RODRIGUEZ

By A. GONZALEZ (LAGOVEN

Cartagena, Colombia — Juan Evangelista, who hails from Tutumendo, is the new junior middleweight champion of Colombia.

"Tutunendo" Codoba is the oldest to gain Colombian title, and now he has taken it from vacancy and beaten Angel "Manopla" Rodriguez, of Malambo. "Tutunendo" was down in the fourth but won via TKO in the tenth when "Manopla" Rodriguez abandoned the match.

Reynaldo Ramirez is another champion. In a scheduled twelve rounder, Reynaldo from Cartagena, produced an impressive TKO victory over Alfonso Valiente in round four, (Flyweights.) Valiente fought into the hands of the heavy-fisted Ramirez, who packed a right hook.

Ruben Valdez decisioned Donald Leon in six router. They are bantamweights.

Diego Alcala, junior lightweight of Panama, scored a fourth-round TKO over Adalberto Gomez, Colombia. Adalberto took a couple of visits to the deck before the bout was stopped.

▲BARRANQUILLA — Business picked up at the "Humberto Perea Coliseum" when the box-office reported 2,500 customers. With the exception of the final, every bout went a KO.

Manuel Rios, Cartagena's bantam, made his pro debut in a four-round bout. He scored a second-round TKO over Ricardo Mercado, Cartagena. The bout was stopped when Ricardo was dropped with a left hook to the body.

Alfonso Cobas, Barranquilla, sprang an upset by stopping Abdon Peralta, feather of Ecuador, in the third heat. Peralta failed to come out in that round.

In the semifinal, ailing Nestor "Baba" Jimenez, bantam, used the first seconds to warm up, then unleashed a powerful left hook to dump Jorge Benitez, Uruguay, in the first round of their scheduled 10.

Bernardo Caraballo, Colombian featherweight, pitched and Adolfo Osses, Panama, caught in their ten-rounder. There was no knockdown, Caraballo's smoother boxing was the difference.

BROUGHTON OVER ● HERNANDEZ IN 10 HEATS ● AT MILWAUKEE

MILWAUKEE, WIS. — Former Omahan Art Hernandez, 159, now of Des Moines, was at his lowest weight in some time, but still lost to Gary Broughton via unanimous decision, ten rounds.

Broughton, former middleweight champion of Canada, dropped the veteran Hernandez in the fifth as the ring-rusty Art struggled through. Hernandez lacked speed in this his first fight in six months.

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BLIN'S WIN, MONZON-BOUTTIER WAKE UP BOXING IN EUROPE

By J. A. TREE

PARIS, France – Boxing in Europe was saved from the doldrums by two fights, Jurgen Blin's victory over Jose Manuel Ibar Urtain in Madrid, and the middleweight championship battle here between Jean Claude Bouttier and Carlos Monzon.

The Blin fight pulled the game out of a siesta and prepared it for the middleweight contest.

Without these fights on the Continent, boxing in this part of the world would have been left to the British, who came up with little other than the Chris Finnegan victory over Jan Lubbers, of Holland, for European light heavy laurels.

Promoters may call in imports to draw bigger crowds. German boxing would have needed more than a striptease act in the ring to revive the sport if Blin had not dethroned European heavyweight champion Urtain.

Defeat would probably have seen Blin hang up his gloves and leave Germany's remaining stars, Rudiger Schmidtke, Lothar Abend and Karl Heinz Klein to struggle on until after the Munich Olympic Games, when new talent may be available to the professional ranks.

It was lucky for Blin who was fighting for the European title for the third time. On June 23rd, 1970, he lost on points to Urtain in Barcelona, a fight that most thought he had won. In London on May 11, 1971, Blin had a close call, losing on points to Joe Bugner. Here again some critics saw the Hamburg butcher as the winner.

In Madrid there was no question about Blin's victory. All three officials voted in favor of the German.

Referee Georges Gondre, France, scored it 73-68 while the two judges, Kurt Rado, Austria, and Dominico Carabellesi, Italy, handed in scorecards reading 72-70, 71-67.

The capacity crowd of nearly 14,000, however, whistled and booed when the verdict was announced.

Blin said that his plan to let Urtain use up all of his gas in the early heats paid off. It was his hardest fight and that included his engagement with Cassius Clay last December.

"Urtain was stronger than when I met him previously," continued Blin. Both fighters finished their encounter with swollen faces and Urtain bled from the nose.

The fight ended at 2:15 in the morning, a most unusual time for boxing in any locale. In round four, Urtain caught Blin with a wild left swing and the German went down. The count went to 'eight' but the bell sounded shortly afterwards, preventing the Spaniard from taking advantage of the situation.

Blin came out for frame five

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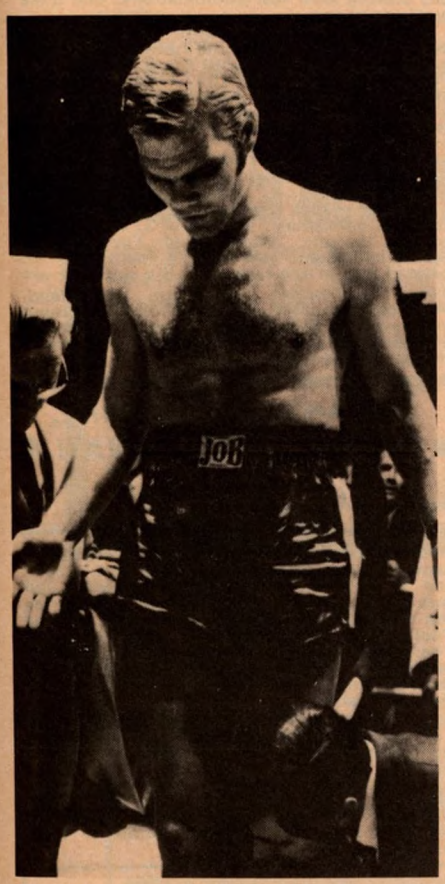

JURGEN BLIN

EUROPEAN RATINGS

AS OF JULY 15, 1972

Heavyweights	Light Heavies	Middleweights	Junior Middles
*1. Jurgen Blin (G)	*1. Chris Finnegan (GB)	*1. Jean Claude Bouttier (F)	*1. Jose Hernandez (S)
2. Jose Manuel Ibar Urtain (S)	2. Conny Velensek (G)	2. Carlos Duran (I)	2. Jacques Kechichian (F)
3. Bepi Ros (I)	3. Jan Lubbers (H)	3. Tom Bogs (D)	3. Jose Duran (S)
4. Dante Cane (I)	4. Gianfranco Macchia (I)	4. Fabio Bettini (I)	4. Domenico Tiberia (I)
5. Rudi Lubbers (H)	5. Domenico Adinolfi (I)	5. Nessim Cohen (F)	5. Angel Guinaldo (S)
6. Armando Zanini (I)	6. Rudiger Schmidtke (G)	6. Luciano Sarti (I)	6. Aldo Battistutta (I)
7. Mario Baruzzi (I)	7. Guerrino Scattolin (I)	7. Mario Romersi (I)	7. Johann Orsolics (A)
8. Pierro del Papa (I)	8. Renzo Grespan (I)	8. Mario Almanzo (I)	8. Remo Golfarini (I)
9. Giorgi Bambi (I)	9. Karl Heinz Klein (G)	9. Tom Jensen (D)	9. Christian Larsen (D)
10. Christian Poncelet (F)	10. Bas van Duivenbode (H)	10. Hans Dieter Schwartz (G)	10. Lionel Cuypers (B)

Welterweights	Junior Welters	Lightweights	Junior Lights
*1. Roger Menetrey (F)	*1. Roger Zami (F)	*1. Antonio Puddu (S)	*1. Tommaso Galli (I)
2. Robert Gallois (F)	2. Bruno Arcari (I)	2. Pedro Carrasco (S)	2. Lothar Abend (G)
3. Silvan Bertini (I)	3. Sandro Lopopolo (I)	3. Miguel Velasquez (S)	3. Jean DeKeers (B)
4. Marcel Cerdan (F)	4. Rene Roque (F)	4. Enzo Petriglia (I)	4. Mario Senna (I)
5. Jörgen Hansen (D)	5. Cemal Kamaci (A)	5. Enzo Pizzoni (I)	5. Giorgio Merlin (I)
6. Alberto Torri (I)	6. Toni Ortiz (S)	6. Pierre LaJaouen (F)	6. Mario Redi (I)
7. Dopico Gonzalez (S)	7. Barrera Corpas (S)	7. Claude Thomias (F)	7. Ugo Poli (I)
8. Marco Scano (I)	8. Piero Ceru (I)	8. Kid Tano (S)	8. Bruno Freschi (I)
9. Antonio Torres (S)	9. Maurice Tavant (F)	9. Leonard Tavarres (S)	9. Gitano Himinez (S)
10. Franco Vermandere (F)	10. Ermando Fasoli (I)	10. Jesus Zarko (S)	10. Dominico Jiminez (S)

Featherweights	Bantamweights	Flyweights
*1. Jose Legra (S)	*1. Augustin Senin (S)	*1. Fritz Chervet (Sw)
2. Giovanni Girgenti (I)	2. Franco Zurlo (I)	2. Fernando Atzori (I)
3. Daniel Vermandere (F)	3. Toni Sassarini (I)	3. Franco Sperati (I)
4. Augusto Civardi (I)	4. Enzo Farinelli (I)	4. Dino Contemori (I)
5. Elio Cotena (I)	5. Bob Allotey (S)	5. Luigio Boschi (I)
6. Maurice Cordier (F)	6. Guy Caudron (F)	6. Giovanni Mura (I)
7. Luis Aisa (S)	7. Marc van Domme (B)	7. Gerard Macrez (F)
8. Jean Anton (F)	8. Ambrogio Mariani (I)	8. Michel Spina (I)
9. Renato Galli (I)	9. Pierre Vetroff (F)	9. Vito Mancini (I)
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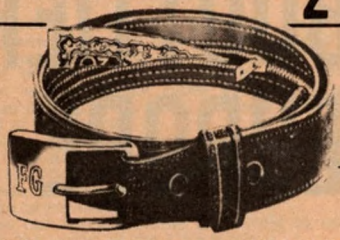

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JACK MITCHELL, FROM MANY PLACES, TAKES OVER IN NEW ENGLAND

By DON HAMILL

BOSTON, MASS. — Boxing activity in New England slowed to a mere five cards. There is promise of a return to boxing in Providence and Walpole. It was a visitor to the area who headlined two of the five shows. He is Jack Mitchell listed successively as from Toronto, Montreal and Peoria. His seconds call him Jimmy. He has played havoc with New England favorites: he dropped Doug Kirk in the first round of their bout, called "No Contest" after four rounds because of a bomb scare; Handed John Coiley a bad beating in knocking him out; whipped Jimmy McDermott; and outgunned Joe Young.

▲**PORTLAND** — New England featherweight leader Phil Hudson, 129, Portland, made good use of his fast left jab to pile up enough points to earn a ten round unanimous duke over Barry Sponagle, 135, New Waterford, N.S. The Canadian kept boring in and occasionally scored with some good combinations but he was unable to change the complexion of the bout.

Kevin Dorion, 145, South Boston, scored a fifth round knockout over Ed Morgan, 144, Lowell, in the semi-final. Jose Pagon, 148, Lowell, was held to a split decision in his six rounder with Don Melosh, 154, White Plains.

▲**WALTHAM** — Doug Kirk, 190, Lowell, New England heavyweight leader, polished off Tony Burwell, 190, Philadelphia, in the first round. Burwell took the offensive boxing well until a solid right to the jaw, with delayed action, dropped Burwell for the full count. It was several minutes before he was able to leave the ring.

Angel Torres, 135, Pawtucket, won all the way in taking a unanimous eight round decision over Ahmet Tasci, 131, Turkey, who never stopped his forward advance. Tasci receipted for many hard punches without showing any ill-effect. Al Romano, 147, North Adams, romped to an eight round duke over Don Melosh, 147, White Plains, who barely managed to last. Lloyd Murray, 140, White Plains, spoiled the pro debut of Chico Vejar's protege, Dante Terrazini, 140, Stamford, by gaining a fourth round TKO when Dante was unable to answer the bell for the final heat because of a muscle spasm in his right leg.

▲**PORTLAND** — Jack Mitchell, 172, Peoria, fought a backward fight, using a rapier left jab, to pile up points over Irish Jimmy McDermott, 171, Holyoke, to take the unanimous ten round decision. McDermott became frustrated and three times fell to the canvas in vain attempts to score with his vaunted heavy punches.

Joe Young, 195, Brooklyn, had Brian O'Melia, 198, Bayonne, on the canvas three times in the third round to win by an automatic TKO. Rights to the jaw spilled O'Melia each time. Juan Botta, 153, Abington, launched his comeback after a bout with tuberculosis and battled to a good draw with Tommy Butts, 160, Portland, in six rounds. Jose Pagon, now boxing as Rivera, 147, Lowell, battled to a six round draw with Otha Tyson, 143, Patterson, N.J.

▲**WALTHAM** — Joe DeNucci, 165, Newton veteran, racked up another win in his comeback by taking a lop-sided eight round feature bout over Joe Jones, 171, Philadelphia. DeNucci took command in the first round and had Jones on rubber legs throughout the first session. For the remainder of the fight, DeNucci handed Jones a bad body beating as he took every round.

Roosevelt (Moulden) Brown, 174, Dorchester, was puzzled by the showboat tactics of Tracy Morrison, 172, Kansas City, Mo., at the start but gradually cut the Westerner down and into helplessness by the seventh round when Referee Jimmy McCarron stopped the fight. Al Romano, 150, North Adams, won an unpopular but proper decision over Tony Porter, 155, White Plains, in eight rounds. The verdict was unanimous. Al got off to a good lead but had Porter cop the last two rounds from him. Mac Murray, 125, White Plains, came off the floor in the final heat of his four rounder with Derek Gladdis, 129, also of White Plains, to eke out a split decision.

▲**PORTLAND** — Jack Mitchell, 178, Peoria, did it again. This time he turned back Joe Young, 194, Brooklyn, in the ten round feature. Young was slow in comparison to his past performances and in respect to the speed of Mitchell. Both were stung in the fifth round as Young landed his best punch of the fight. Mitchell racked up points as he darted in and out scoring with fast combinations. The duke was unanimous.

Kevin Dorion, 148, South Boston, despite cuts suffered in the second round, went on to earn a six round draw with Roger Phillips, 154, Pittsfield. Juan Botta, 153, Abington, had to chase Don Melosh, 149, White Plains, for almost four rounds before he was able to score with solid combination to win by a kayo. Also in a slated six rounder, Lloyd Duncan, 169, North Easton, cut Tony Porter, 169, White Plains, to size by halting him in the fifth session.

▲**JABS** — Dick Greatorex, giant heavyweight from St. Johnsbury, Vt. died at 37 from cancer of the larynx...Eddie (Red Top) Owens, Springfield light heavyweight, continued his belated rise in the ratings with a clear cut win over Mark Tessman in Houston...Springfield, Mass. bantamweight, Al Bass, won a ten round main event in Philadelphia where he captured a decision over Ron Jackson. It was his third straight win as a pro.

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By LITTLE NENE

SINGAPORE, MALAYSIA — Thailand's bantamweight champion P. Pornchai, 120½, and T. Guizani, Tunisia, 119½, thrilled 2,000 spectators until the fight was stopped during the third round owing to a deep gash over the Thai's left eyebrow suffered in a clash of heads. The referee called it a technical draw which surprised everybody as the referee's card showed Guizani ahead by two points when the fight was halted.

In the supporting tenner, S. Sangnorakat, 130, Bangkok, got the nod over Jimmy Octa, 123, Philippines, amidst booing. Octa deserved a draw.

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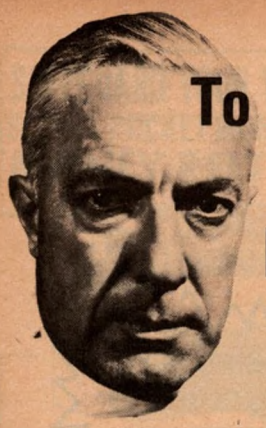

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BOXING IN ARGENTINA HITS MERRY PACE

By SIMON BRONENBERG AND ALFREDO PORZIO

BUENOS AIRES — Argentinan junior welter undefeated Daniel Gonzalez won by a TKO, Omar Gottifredi in six. Gonzalez is managed by Amilcar Brussa, pilot of Carlos Monzon.

▲**San Rafael** — Middleweight Faustino Galdame beat Alfredo Segura by points in 12 rounds for the local title.

▲ **Salta** — In the feather class ex-Argentine bantam champion Victor Cardenas beat Gonzalez in 10.

▲**Parana** — Middle Miguel A. Duro beat Efelmiro Gomez by a TKO in fourth round.

▲**Villaguay** — In the light heavy class Roberto Aguilar outpointed over Juan C. Cardozo in 10.

▲**Junin** — Oscar Gonzalez beat Jose Barrera on points in 10. They are welters.

▲**Reconquista** — Welter Pedro Beron and Martin Juarez drew in 10.

▲**Neuquen** — Junior middle Juan "Yani" Garcia kayoed Carlos Estrada, from Peru, by KO in fourth round. (Feathers) Omar Canale beat Julio C. Obregon by a TKO in 6 and Welter Jr. Jorge Sandoval won from Miguel A. Bravo by a TKO in five rounds.

▲**Tres Arroyos** — Lightweight Omar Carcamo beat Santos Silisque by a TKO in 8.

▲**Rio Cuarto** — In the welter division Francisco Lopez and Ametico Mannin drew in 10. (Feathers) Jose Filippi drew to with Raul Chaime in 8.

▲**Tucuman** — In the bantam class Antonio Barbosa outpointed Alberto Gomez in 10.

▲**San Nicolas** — Oscar Raimondo and Carlos Villalba drew in 10. They are welters, junior.

▲**Rio Gallegos** — Middle Juanito Sanchez beat Hector Cardenas by a TKO in 4th and middles Jr. Juan D. Alvarez beat Ramon "Chamorro" Oliva by a TKO in round three.

▲**San Justo** — In the feather class, ex-Argentine bantam champion, now in featherweight-Hugo Bidyeran kayoed Luis A. Bais in 5th round.

▲**Totoras** — In the middle junior class Ruben "Chingolo" Martinez won Benito Sanchez by a TKO in five rounds.

▲**Buenos Aires** — In the light heavy class hard puncher Victor Galindez outpointed Eddie Jones (EE.UU) in 10 rounds.

▲**Laboulaye** — Angel Tito Pereyra and Ruben Granados drew in 10 rounds.

▲**Cordoba** — In the feather division Luis Romo-new Argentine champion in this class-and Carlos Ponce, drew in 10 rounds (non-title bout).

▲**Salta** — In the light division Hugo Davila beat Jorge Herrera on points in 10. Catalino Sosa won Raul Santillan in 6. (Middles).

▲**Rio Cuarto** — In the welter Jr. class Mario Miranda beat Antonio Acosta by a TKO in five. Oscar Montiel and Miguel Roffe was disqualified in 5th round.

▲**Santa Rosa** — In the welter class Miguel Angel Campanino whipped ex-Argentine and South America champion, in the junior middle class Ramon Pereyra in 10 rounds.

▲**Reconquista** — Lightweight Julio Campagna beat Carlos Taborda by a TKO in eight.

▲**Tucuman** — In the middle class Ramon Vego kayoed Ernesto Pizarro in round three.

▲**Buenos Aires** — South American welter champion Ramon La Cruz beat Abel Cachazu-Argentine welter champion-by disqualification in nine rounds. La Cruz retained his crown.

▲**Tandil** — In the junior light class Graciano Pintore beat Abel Almaraz by points in 10.

KAMACI LUCKY TO GET DRAW WITH BLASER

By LEO VOLLNHOFER

VIENNA, AUSTRIA — Cemal Kamaci, of Turkey, official challenger of Roger Zami of France, European junior welter champion, wanted to test his weapons before his fight in Istanbul against the Frenchman, and accepted the newly crowned Swiss welter champion Walter Blaser for a 10 rounder. For five rounds Kamaci was boss. In the sixth the Swiss southpaw took over and manhandled the Turk badly in the 7th and 8th rounds.

In the 9th Kamaci recovered somewhat and was finally awarded a draw which satisfied no one.

▲Hans Orsolics, twice former European champion, has resumed training and will box again in September, although his manager Willy Zeller is still in jail

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SANCHEZ IS LAUDED BY JAPAN'S FIGHT FOLLOWERS

By JOE Y. KOIZUMI

TOKYO, JAPAN — The Fighter of the Month is not a Japanese but a newcomer from Mexico named Clemente Sanchez. Sanchez impressively knocked out Kuniaki Shibata in the third round to gain the world featherweight title before some 8,000 fans at Nihon University Auditorium, Tokyo. The winner was the aggressor from the start. Shibata who had dethroned Vicente Saldivar with a 13th round kayo in 1970 appeared cool, as most of Clemente's punches were avoided.

The Mexican import took the first round. They exchanged few rallies in the second session. The KO came at 32 minutes 26 seconds of the third round, when Sanchez scored a well-timed combination to the jaw of the losing champion. Shibata went flat on his back. The 25-year-old Japanese arose to fight back, but collapsed. They entered the ring at 125¼ pounds.

The one-punch kayo by Sanchez's solid right stunned the customers, who had made Shibata as a prohibitive favorite.

▲Koichi Wajima, WBA's junior middleweight leader, successfully retained his version, as he demolished Italy's Domenico Tiberia in less than two minutes. The quick end was witnessed by 8,000 fans at Fukuoka. They started cautiously with stinging lefts.

After a minute, Wajima hit the target with a strong right that hurt Tiberia. The Japanese puncher nailed his man to the corner, throwing a barrage to the face. The 34-year-old Italian was down. After taking the mandatory eight Domenico was banged out by Wajima's two-fisted attack. He went down again. He gamely regained his feet.

Wajima, who had compiled 21 KO's in his 24 wins sent a flurry of punches to his victim. Then a towel was tossed in.

It was the shortest title competition yet staged in Japan.

The victor, who had learned to fight at 25, weighed in at 153 pounds, while Tiberia made 154.

▲Sendai City saw former Orient boss, Lion Furuyama, 140¼, awarded a TKO owing to a bad gash suffered by Koichi Otomaru, 139¾, in the eighth round. Some 2,000 were in attendance.

▲An action-packed tenner won the praise from 1,800 in Korakuen Hall. Shigeyoshi Ohki outscored Ushiwakamaru Harada in 10 hard-fought rounds. There were no knockdowns. Both made 119½ pounds.

Rising hope Mikio Nakata, 114, was impressive, as he dropped Mitsuru Sen twice in the second round to gain a lopsided shutout decision in 10 heats. The card which drew 1,200 fans at Korakuen Hall took place in commemoration of Kenjiro Nakajima's recent retirement. Nakajima was former junior featherweight titlist of Japan.

▲A riot almost broke out at Korakuen Hall, where angry customers threw things due to a U.S. newcomer's unfaithful fighting, crying 'Fake!' and surrounding the ring.

Thurmond Duran, a favorite from the U.S., showed his power when he had Ryu Sorimachi on the deck in the fourth. But Duran was knocked out in the next round, though he did not receive any solid punches from the Orient welter ruler.

Duran was flat on the canvas, as if he had been hurt. They scaled 149 each.

On the next day the JBC announced Duran should have $500 of his $2,500 attached. Manager George Yoshinaga was suspended. The JBC also declared a forthcoming probe about such performances.

▲Prospect Shoryu Watanabe, 135, was upset via a third round TKO by Jun Ohtomo at Korakuen Hall. The latter decked Watanabe with a smashing left hook in the opening round. The stoppage was caused by the loser's bad cut on the forehead after a two head butt in round three. The winner weighed 134½.

▲Thad Okamoto became the national featherweight leader, as he punished Kinio Shindo all the way to take a unanimous nod in 10 heats. They entered the ring at 125¾ before 1,600 at Korakuen.

▲Middleweight Stevens Smith, 160, a U.S. worker from Tachikawa Base Camp, stopped Turtle Okabe, 157¾, in the sixth round.

The proceedings were one-sided. Smith dropped the Japanese in the second and proved too much for slower Turtle. Smith landed a barrage on the fading lefty. In the fatal round Smith battered his foe and decked him twice.

In a preliminary ten Hiroji Ishibashi, 122, scored a kayo over Hiroji Miura, 121¾, in round six. The winner is the nephew of former bantam titlist Koji Ishibashi.

▲Bantamweight Genzo Kurosawa, 120½, halted Speedy Tateoka, 121, in the fifth round.

In a semi eight, Beever Kajimoto, 113, was a unanimous points winner over Akio Iwamoto, 112.

▲After a sudden retirement of Japan's Kazuyoshi Kanazawa, an eliminator took place in Seoul, Korea. Soo-Hwan Hong, local favorite, became the new champion by earning a unanimous nod over Al Diaz, Philippines, in 12 rounds.

The Orient Boxing Federation decided to turn over the one-year-term presidency to Thailand from South Korea. The decision was made in the OBE's 17th annual meeting in Korea.

The OBF announced that Japan's Oriental junior light leader Susumu Okabe was stripped of his laurels, because he would not meet Hyun-Chi Kim within 90 days since he became the titlist by beating Flash Gallego, P.I. Okabe, now concentrating on his preparation for a crack at WBC's version in the 130-pound class, asked for a delay of his first defense, but the OBF rejected the request.

The current Japanese champions are as follows: WBA flyweight champ, Masao Ohba; WBA & WBC junior middle champ, Koichi Wajima.

Oriental champions are: lightweight, Ishimatsu Suzuki; welterweight, Ryu Sorimavhi and junior middleweight, Hideo Kanazawa.

National champs are: flyweight, Susumu Hanagata; bantamweight, Shintaro Uchiyama; junior featherweight, Sarutobi Koyama; featherweight, Thad Okamoto; junior lightweight, Kenji Iwata; lightweight, Masataka Takayama; junior welterweight, Hiroshi Shoji; welterweight, Takatsune Shimizu; junior middleweight, vacant; middleweight, George Carter (U.S. soldier now living in Japan).

HARDEN NEEDS ONLY THREE HEATS TO DISPOSE OF ROSA

By RONNIE "BOUSE"

NORTH BERGEN, N. J. — Lenny Harden, 159, Rahway, turned back Paterson's Mario Rosa, 158, by a three round KO.

Last February they waged a close battle with Rosa losing a hairline verdict in ten. The Rosa camp felt that over the longer distance of 12 rounds their man would come out on top. The Rahway boy started fast and it appeared that the fight was to end early.

At the start of the third Harden caught his foe with a right that crashed the Patersonian to the canvas.

At the count of four he tried to get up but it was no go. The win boosted Harden's record to 10 KO's in 11 bouts.

The co-feature six saw Jersey City's Luke Erwin, 126, win a close one over Jose Resto, 130.

Another six ended early when George "King" Aidoo scored his fifth KO in six wins over Sixto Brito of Puerto Rico. This bout ended in the first.

North Arlington's John Sullivan, 132, had his winning streak snapped when he caught a Tartar by the name of Candy Ortiz, 135, the Puerto Rican lad had too much and won the four round duke.

Dario Albarron, 126, New York, scored a four round win over Pablo Nieves, 126, Jersey City.

▲BAYONNE, N.J. — The Italian-American Civil Rights League presented a benefit boxing show before a crowd of 3,500. There were nine bouts with former greats and another five amateur bouts.

Frank Franconeri was to box fellow Bayonnite Freddy "Red" Russo who was a top featherweight contender in the 40's but he was stricken with a fatal heart attack.

Willie Pep and Sandy Saddler crossed gloves with Jake LaMotta referee.

Joey Giardello engaged the former Bayonne standout in the name of Ernie "The Rock" Durando, and LaMotta climbed into the ring and wanted to box both of them.

Tippy Larkin went against Charlie Fusari.

Chuck Wepner, the current state heavy champ, tapped with Charlie Norkus and had the fans in stitches with their antics.

Chico Vejar showed some great moves against Bayonne's Johnny "Red" DeFazio.

Joe Micelli moved with Tony Cinnimo.

The Roman brothers, Tommy and Carmen, had the fans thinking they were serious when they squared off.

▲GARFIELD, N.J. — Ring No. 9 of Passaic and Bergen counties will hold its 20th annual installation dinner at Vecchiarello's Restaurant in Little Ferry N.J. on Oct. 29. Frank "Chio" Doyle, former Garfield gamester will again take the helm.

▲PATERSON, N.J. — Joe Blackwood, former middleweight contender died at the early age of 44. Blackwood was managed by Bill Daly.

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ELLIS RETURNS TO ACTION WITH FAST KO OVER BROOKS

By HANK KAPLAN

MIAMI, FLA. — Jimmy Ellis is back in the ring. Very much back. He knocked out Reco Brooks in the second round and announced that he was ready for any and all members of the Top Ten heavyweights.

Reco's quick and decisive defeat killed off the hopes of his contingent, especially his manager-wife, that Brooks would be able to cash in on the dearth of reputable heavies.

Reco got into the headlines when he outpointed Ron Stander in ten rounds on January 22.

On April 17, Brooks got a surprise. He was outpointed in 10 rounds by Vic Scott, but the Arizona Commission announced that it had discovered that Brooks had lost to Scott while suffering a kidney stone attack.

The commission then took the decision away from Scott, and declared the fight "No Contest."

▲MIAMI — Chris Dundee's new base here, with the ring pitched on a barge on Biscayne Bay, has been attracting the fans.

In a ten round feature, Frankie Otero, 129½, caught a Tartar in Jose Luis Lopez, 129½, Durango, Mexico, who landed consistently with crushing body punches to capture a split decision over the well-rated junior lightweight. Otero was ahead at the midway point but in the sixth the rushing tactics of Lopez began to take their toll.

The Mexican caught Frankie with hooks to the body in every round to the end causing Frankie to hold on frequently in the last two rounds. While fresh in the first half, Otero outscored the visitor and perplexed him with his speed.

In a scheduled ten rounder, Victor Ortiz, 146¾, Caguey, Puerto Rico, proved he will one day be a leader among welterweights as he demolished rugged Roscoe Bell, 150, Cocoa, on a TKO in round five. Ortiz racked up his fifth straight knockout as he demonstrated an awesome set of combinations.

Prince Jimmy Ham, 145, Green Cove Springs, stopped Johnny Tutuska, 150, Orange, N.J., in round six after an interesting exhibition of boxing for 5 rounds.

In a sixer, Angel Estavez, 159¾, Miami, gained a split decision over Victor Perez, 152, Sanford, in a bout which could have gone either way had Perez remained on his feet in the fifth round. A short right hand decked him for an eight count which sealed the win for Estavez.

Jerry Wilts beat Robert Jenkins in a flyweight tilt while Oscar Montero, 103, took a points win over Ed Williams, 103.

▲Victor Millon Ortiz, 145, Puerto Rico, showed over 2,000 fans at the Miami Marine Stadium the reason he is one of the most feared welterweights in the Caribbean area. In his second straight victory Ortiz stopped Prince Jimmy Ham, 142, Green Cove Springs, in the second round.

Referee Bill Hartnett stopped the fight when Ham showed weak underpins and little defense. Jimmy Ham made the first round interesting but was unable to cope with the steady attack of heavy punching by Ortiz. The Puerto Rican visitor made it 5 straight by K.O. and ran his record to 12-3.

In a good ten round co-feature, Joe Cartwright, 134½, West Palm Beach, gained his sixth straight victory as he edged out Miguel Montilla, 135, Santo Domingo, in a unanimous decision.

Though the decision was not popular with the upper stands, Joe was the aggressor all the way and never stopped flailing away at his visiting opponent. Montilla had a good right hand, straight and uppercut. Fighting close range most of the time, Cartwright was able to nullify the offense of Montilla.

In a third ten rounder, Roberto Ayala, 138, Hialeah, a local favorite in Frankie Otero's stable under Ritchie Riesgo, gained a unanimous points win over Tato Almonso, 135, San Juan.

Ayala gave his friends a scare in the fifth round when he was decked while off balance but indicated he wasn't hurt as he came back fighting. Almonso is a defensive boxer with a fair right hand and gave Roberto a good experience tussle. Ayala is now 11-1-1.

In the six round walkout the 2,146 fans in the outdoor stadium watched Angel Estavez, 161, Hialeah, pile up enough points to capture the unanimous decision over Victor Perez, 153, Sanford. In beating Perez for the second consecutive time, Estavez made it four straight as a pro.

▲At Miami Beach, Jeff Merritt, 204, made short work of "Hurricane" Junior Grant, 212, Nassau, Bahamas, as the scheduled ten round main event was curtailed by referee Cy Gottfried before the bell sounded for round two.

In round one, Jeff flailed away at Grant, obviously trying to win early, while Grant backpedaled and pawed occasionally with his left.

Merritt landed to the body and a few to the head, enough to produce a hazy-eyed look while he rested after round one. Gottfried recognized Grant's infirmity and called it a second round victory for Merritt. 2,542 fans watched the disappointing Grant, who was a last minute substitute for Bob Stallings.

In a ten-round co-feature, little Joe Cartwright, 136¾, West Palm Beach, upset the dope and beat Grady Ponder, 140, Miami, who was stale after a long absence from the ring. Ponder was lethargic and could not avoid the tenacious Cartwright who won on a split duke. Cartwright swarmed over Ponder with a wide assortment of blows, rarely damaging, but accumulating points. This was Cartwright's best career win.

In a torrid 8 rounder, Randy Clark, 202½, Miami, made it twelve straight as he won a closely fought contest with Tommy Howard, 195½, Gainesville, in unanimous fashion. The unorthodox Howard, switch-hitting throughout the bout, proved a puzzler for Randy who never let up in his effort to plant his power punch. Finally, in round 7, Clark exploded with a left hook to Howard's chin, decking him for the eight count. Clark's aggressiveness and punching ability clinched the victory to extend his undefeated string.

In a sixer, Rene Kinsey, 186, Miami, bombed Charlie Clark, 181, Melbourne, into a second round TKO.

▲At Coconut Grove, Fla. Grover (Red) Barron, Gold Coast AAU Chairman, set up the Florida State Olympic Trial competition at the Dinner Key Auditorium and produced four entrees to the Cincinatti trials later this summer.

Rickie Williamson, Boston lightweight, appeared the most skillful fighter on the card as he defeated Davey Austin of Avon Park.

Jack Balduc, Miami, Florida light heavyweight AAU champ, beat Steve Stoddard. Clarence Thomas, heavyweight from Plant City, took a decision over Denny Ciboney. Rocky Snyder, 139, Cocoa Beach, won over Louis Mathews of Avon Park. John Burger of Avon Park, outpointed Jose Ibarra, of Melbourne. Pete Miller, Avon Park heavyweight, outpunched John Henry Jones of Melbourne. Gerald Humbert, Miami middleweight, stopped James Lochette in round three. Lew Walker of Miami was stopped in the second round by David Moore, Melbourne in a heavyweight contest.

▲In their new home for boxing at the City of Miami Gym at Dinner Key in Coconut Grove, the City of Miami Recreation Department under the aegis of Dick Lee debuted in their initial amateur boxing show of the summer season. The program is under the sponsorship of an organization called "Coconut Grove Cares" and is one of the more popular programs supervised by the City of Miami.

Jack Garfield, Executive Secretary of the Miami Boxing Commission acts as chief liason officer between the City and boxing program sponsors. The new City boxing arena, formerly the administrative headquarters for the Coast Guard Air Station, lends itself well for boxing.

Larry Brown, Jr. captured a unanimous decision over Levet Jordan in a 150 pound duel.

In another 150 pound contest, Benny Sanchez stopped George Hernandez in the opening round.

Larry Brown, no relation to Larry, Jr., 144, stopped Ford Thomas, 142, in the third. Omar Sanchez, 120, put a second round K.O. on Barry Nexer, 119.

Mike Aregood, 142, rapidly improving Miamian and second year man in the program, stopped Douglas Bentley, 139, in the third.

Sam Macias, 148, was too strong for Robert White, 145, as he put his man out of action in the first round.

Ritchie Lee Roberts, 133, gained a win on points over Emil Anzennor, 132.

Willie Clark, 194, outscored Charles Simeon, 204.

Carl Johnson, 190, drew with Danny Dunston, 185.

▲Chris Dundee is happy with his new boxing site at the Miami Marine Stadium, a covered outdoor spot getting the breeze off Biscayne Bay. . .Promoter Mel Ziegler, regular showman at the Miami Beach Auditorium, is temporarily out of action at the Beach arena due to the upcoming political conventions. . .Bobby Dykes, former challenger for Kid Gavilan's welterweight title, is now Vice-Chairman of the Miami Boxing Commission. . .Former pro heavyweight, Dick Tobin, who also played plenty of baseball with the Boston Red Sox organization, is doing a commendable job working with the amateurs under the sponsorship of the Miami Beach Police Athletic League. . .Willie Wilson of Tampa, is having eye problems and may forsake boxing temporarily . . .Hilton Smith, former Miami featherweight, who has a victory over champ Jose Napoles, now makes his home in Tampa and can be seen training fighters there. . .Charlie Hernandez, the Tampa restauranteur, has made Venezuelan Nestor Rojas one of the top attractions on Tampa shows. . . Al Jones, Miami heavyweight seeking his former spot in the ratings, dropped a decision to Jose Luis Garcia in Caracas. . .Moe Fliescher, legendary New York matchmaker, now working under the Chris Dundee banner, visited Nassau to handle welterweight champion Elisho Obed in his victory over Dorman Crawford. . .In the latest ratings of the Commonwealth of the Bahamas Boxing Association, Jimmy Mackey's fighter, Baby Boy Rolle, is still recognized as a duel titleholder of the country holding the heavyweight and light heavyweight crowns. . .Juan Collado, lightweight from Santo Domingo, who made so many friends here a couple of years back, took a decision over San Diego's Lobito Montoya plus the California State lightweight lead with it. . .Jimmy Ellis had a workout at the expense of Dick Gosha at Seattle, then wasted little time in returning to Miami in order to prepare for a Miami Marine Stadium shot Promoter Chris Dundee lined up for him. . .With 12 consecutive victories to his pro credit, former Marine Randy Clark is one of Miami's top gate attractions as "hard hats" file for good seats whenever Randy appears on local cards. . .The most impressive fighter to hit these parts in many a moon is Victor Millon Ortiz, a Puerto Rico welterweight, who has won three straight in Miami rings. . .

ALONG THE VBA TRAIL

By SCOOP GALLELLO

INTERNATIONAL VBA PRESIDENT

Paddy DeMarco. .former world's lightweight champ is a Dealer in Caesar's Palace in Las Vegas, Nevada.

VBA RING #14. . .Hudson County, N.J. recently held its annual banquet at the Skyline Cabana Club in Jersey City. Packed house of 400 boxing enthusiasts. Present were fistic celebrities Willie LaMorte, Pete Scalzo, Tippy Larkin, Solly Seeman and Mickey Walker. Mickey Esposito was the chairman. Ring #14 will also be the Host for the International VBA Convention to be held at Mount Airey Lodge in the Pocono Mountains, Pennsylvania, October 27-28-29.

Mike Schuman. . .former pugilist and member of VBA Ring #1 of Phila. dead at age 72.

VBA Ring #21. . .Brooklyn, gave a testimonial dinner to president Paul Berlenbach, in celebration to his entering Boxing's Hall of Fame.

Jimmy O'Gatty. . .fisticuffer of yesteryear is living in Hollywood and is an accomplished

Ezzard Charles. . .former world heavyweight champion, suffering from amotrophic lateral sclerosis is scheduled to appear on the 1972 Jerry Lewis Telethon. Charles is living in a wheelchair.

VBA Ring #32. . .Detroit, recently held 6th annual banquet at the Sheraton-Cadillac. Guest speaker, former welterweight Chuck Davey. Representing the International VBA were I.V.B.A. Secretary Irv Silverman and former flyweight king Corporal Izzy Schwartz. Former pugilist, boxing referee and promoter Lou Handler is head of this outfit.

Adrian Bailey. . .prexy of I.V.B.A. Ring #34 of Wanamassa, N.J. and also organizer for the New Jersey Hall of Fame, announces Sept. 24 as date for 1972 installations.

Augie Angarano. . .Harrison, N.Y. a good ringster in the late 1930's and early '40's, recently held a successful Youth Boxing Show in his town. All proceeds went to outfitting a gymnasium.

Clarence Henry. . .former heavyweight, functions as a "stuntman" for the movies.

Tony DeMarco. . .former welter king, is in Phoenix, Arizona where he operates a restaurant.

Jackie Labue. . .former middleweight is a Cameraman with ABC-T.V. in New York.

Chico Vejar. . .former welter and middleweight, busy as "Co-ordinator of Special Events" for the Cerebral Palsy Foundation of Westchester County.

Jack Malamaphy. . .once rated as the tallest featherweight, is working for the telephone company in White Plains, N.Y. and trains youngsters in his spare time.

Billy Bossio. . .First Vice Pres. of VBA Ring #30 of Westchester County, is working in a White Plains bistro.

Sammy Angott. . .Former world lightweight champ is doing a fine job with young ring hopefuls.

CARMONA'S 3-ROUND KO OF TAKAYAMA COAST FEATURE

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The gate was $27,890, contributed by 5,540 fans.

▲**LOS ANGELES** — It was win no. 13 without a loss for young Benny Rodriguez in the 10 round feature at Olympic. Rodriguez, 119, edged Arturo Leon, 116, Mexico City, in a wild skirmish that produced four knockdowns.

Leon was ahead on points going into the fifth round when Rodriguez planted him on the canvas. Leon came back to drop Benny twice in the eights, then he (Leon) was down in the ninth.

Referee George Latka voted 8-5; judge Larry Rozadilla, 8-5 and judge Bob Dossey, 10-4.

Sal Ramirez, 136½, East Los Angeles, KO over Marcello Cid, 140, San Diego, (4); Dimitri Salazar, 146, Los Angeles, KO over Tommy Coulson, 143¼, Los Angeles, (3); Toschi Fujisawa, 127½, Tokyo, KO over Juan Alvarez, 128, Pomona, (3).

▲**INGLEWOOD** — Africa's Cesar Sinda, 136, an upset knockout winner over Sugar Ramos in his last outing, became an upset victim at the hands of Juan Collado, 135, Santa Ana and the Dominican Republic, in the 10 round main event at the Forum.

Collado, recent winner over Lobito Montoya for the California lightweight title, got off to a blazing start and built up a lead that Cesar couldn't handle.

There were no knockdowns, but both were hurt on several occasions. Sinda tried to pull it out with a desperate last round rally, but Collado held on for the victory.

Unbeaten prospects Jimmy Haier, 138½, Inglewood, and Bobby Chacon, 126½, San Fernando, continued with their knockout spree. Haier halted Alberto Maldonado, 137, in the first and Chacon took less than a round to finish off Ray Llanes, 126, San Diego. In a scheduled six, Jesse Burnett, 165½, Los Angeles, KO over Steve Stark, 163, San Diego, (4).

▲**LOS ANGELES** — The youngster with the long name, Jose Luis Martin del Campo, 128, Guadalajara, Mex., returned to form against Vil Tumulak, 128, Cebu City, P.I., in a 10 rounder at Olympic.

Del Campo reversed a prior loss to the Filipino by taking the offensive and consistently beating him to the punch. There were no knockdowns and no question about the decision.

In a second ten, Carlos Fernandez, 135, Mexicali, rallied in the final three rounds to edge Mar Yuzon, 134, Manila, P.I. Fernandez, a southpaw, is a protege of Jesus Pimentel, who recently retired after a lengthy bantamweight career.

Chuck Goodrun, 118, Bell, and Tony de la Rosa, 117½, Los Angeles, drew (4); Roberto Bonilla, 149, Puerto Rico, decisioned Tommy Coulson, 143, Los Angeles, (4).

▲**SAN CARLOS** — The Koroseta Kid, 175, San Francisco, came up with a big bay area upset, knocking out favored Chuck Hamilton, 177¾, Oakland, in the fourth round of their scheduled ten at the Circle Star theatre-in-the-round.

In a companion ten, Jaime Campos, 143, San Diego, decisioned Ely Yares, 141, Manila, P.I.

In a six, Sugar Montgomery, 137, San Francisco, and Johnny Melendez, 141, San Jose, battled to a well received draw.

▲**SACRAMENTO** — Irish Terry Lee, 178, former California light heavyweight leader, was held to a draw by Joe Cokes, 172, Dallas, the younger brother of ex-middleweight king, Curtis.

It was a moral triumph for Lee, as he scrambled through the last five rounds of the bout with a broken right hand.

Love Allotey, 126½, Ghana, edged Angel Herrera, 129, San Jose, in an action packed 10-rounder. Jesus Robles, 126, Sacramento, decisioned Joe Johnson, 121, Oakland, (6).

SAN CARLOS — Ray Lunny, 136, Palo Alto, pitched and Manny Leal, 137, Mexicali, caught in their 10-rounder at the Circle Star theatre-in-the-round.

Leal, only won one round on the three officials cards. Lunny is the son of former lightweight contender, Ray Lunny, Jr.

▲**SAN JOSE** — Juan Collado, 134½, formerly of the Dominican Republic, is the new leader of California lightweights.

Collado out-boxed Raul (Lobito) Montoya, 135, San Diego, in seven of the 12 rounds to wind up with the decision. The title had been vacant.

▲**SAN DIEGO** — Ex-Marine Corps champion Ken Norton, 206, San Diego, had to work overtime to take Hershel Jacobs, 184, New York, into camp in the 10 round feature before 1,700 at the Coliseum.

Norton pressed the attack, while Jacobs fought a running, backwards type of battle. The gate was $4,820.

▲**LOS ANGELES** — For a brief time, it looked like Argentina's Pedro Lovell was going to end up a knockout victim at the hands of Dan Johnson, of Florida.

Lovell stunned Johnson midway in the first and rushed for the kill, but was nailed by a left hook. He took an eight count, then was down again from a right hand just as the round ended.

The one minute rest did wonders for Pedro. He came back to take command and sent the Daytona Beach heavyweight through the ropes. Referee John Thomas gave Johnson an eight count on his feet.

Going out for the third, Johnson quickly turned his back on the South American. He had a broken jaw, suffered in the second round from a left uppercut.

Lovell, whose home is in Buenos Aires, weighed 198; Johnson, was 201. The crowd numbered 5,162 and the gate was $10,670.

Tony Lopez, 138, East Los Angeles, KO over Sergio Musquiz, 136, Mexico, (5); Antonio Rosa, 119½, Los Angeles, decisioned over Frankie Granados, 119, East Los Angeles, (6); Rosario Zavala, 149, San Diego, outpointed Dimetrio Salazar, 148, Los Angeles, (6); Rayo Esparzo, 131, Los Angeles, decisioned Tosh Fujisawa, 129, Tokyo, (4).

▲**SAN FRANCISCO** — Sharp shooting Javier Ayala, 138½, Tijuana, Mex., caught up with Bobby Jordan, 138½, San Francisco, midway in the fourth round and dropped him with a perfect left-right combination.

Jordan beat the count, but was in no condition to continue and the fight was stopped.

Hildo Silva, 168, San Diego, won a bitter 10-rounder from Memo Lopez, 163, Tijuana. Classy Richie Alvarado, 127, San Jose, nodded Luis Robles, 129, Mexico, in a six rounder.

GARCIA STOPS NOEL IN ● SIX AS 4,000 TURN OUT ●

By FELIPE J. C. GALANG

MANILA, P.I. — Max Garcia, 136, stopped Jimmy Noel, 134, in the sixth round at Rizal Coliseum, with 4,000 onlookers. Much had been expected from Jimmy, but he appeared out of condition.

Raymond Rivera, 130, kayoed Bernardo Magno, 132, in the 3rd round when the stadium physician inspected the big cut over the right eye of Magno. Roger Moreno, 118, halted Simeon Refugio, 117, in the 5th round.

Refugio visited the canvas twice before being counted out. Andy Banzon, 121, stopped Boy Orlando, 121, in 3 rounds. Andy was too good for Orlando.

Antonio Anatihan, 115, won over Ernie Kid, 116, in 10 rounds. Ernie was a last minute substitute for Dommy Cruz but gave a good account of himself. Romeo Uytico, 118, beat Vic Vizcarra, 116, in 6 rounds. Willy Abenir, 114, bested Alberto Cabanig, 113, in 6. Olympio Olbiro, 118, drew with Alejandro Rarato, 116, in 6. Diosdado Refugio, 119, knocked out Danny Santos, 118, in 2.

▲Speedy Santos, 124, kayoed Orlando Cruz, 124, in the 11th round of an elimination bout for the featherweight championship of the islands. Loreto Perez, 123, outpointed Rico Toledo, 124, in 12 rounds of the double main event in Angeles, Pampanga.

Ad Zapanta, 112, kayoed Kid Durante, 113, in 4. Efren Flaviano, 125, stopped Art Espinosa, 126, in 6. Flash Pineda, 118, halted Andy Cortes, 119, in 5. Danny Basa, 114, kayoed Lenen Flores, 115, in 4 and Flash Fernando, 110, bested Joe Almano, 111, in 4.

▲Kid Centeno, 135, defeated Celso Patiag, 134, in 10 rounds in San Miguel, Bulacan. The kid proved that he is a class lightweight by outpointing Celso all the way.

In the 9th Celso visited the canvas after receiving a right to the head. Centeno received a cup from Mayor Mike Viudez of San Ildefonso, Bulacan, in admiration of their townmate.

Dio Pitalbo, 125, kayoed Andy Duran, 127, in the third round. They started the fireworks from the opening bell. Pitalbo had more experience than Andy.

▲Nene Jun, 125, became the featherweight champion of the Philippines by beating Rudy Alarcon, 124, in 12 rounds at the CYO in Davao City. It was a split decision.

▲Ben Villaflor, newly crowned junior lightweight champion of the world, received a rousing welcome from 3,000 countrymen when he landed at the International Airport. He arrived with his brother Ernie, another boxer, and his manager Antonio Fojas. He was entertained by President Marcos on the Presidential yacht with a breakfast. The manager fears that the 19-year-old champion will outgrow his division.

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THE BRITISH ISLES

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variety, and had no effect. Joe threw a lot of punches, but Kirk took them all.

It was one-way traffic when the intervention came, and Bugner is now another step ahead in his plan to regain his three titles.

Weights: Bugner 215¾. Kirk, 186½.

Mark Rowe, Camberwell, 158¾, former British and Empire middleweight champion, knocked out Skip Yeaton, America, 156½, in 1 min. 20 sec. of the opening session with a short right to the jaw.

John H. Stracey, Bethnal Green, 147¾, one of the leading contenders for the British welter crown, stopped Joe Yekinni, Nigeria, 151, a substitute, decking him four times before the referee intervened in the second round.

Johnny Clark, Walworth, 120¼, leading contender for the British bantam crown, stopped Frenchman Norbert Barriere, 121, in four. A good performance by Clark for Barriere had been stopped only once previously.

An encouraging performance by John Conteh, Liverpool, 180¾, who recently moved up in the heavyweight ranks. John beat Billy Aird, Liverpool, 204, ranked No. 3 contender for the British crown, the bout being stopped in the eighth and final round when Aird suffered an eye injury.

Aird was a late substitute, taking the bout at only four hours notice. But credit should be given to Conteh, who was taking part in only his tenth pro fight. This was John's first British-born opponent, and he acquitted himself well, being ahead at the time of the stoppage.

Eddie Neilson, Swindon, 214, outpointed Billy Wynter, Antigua, 222½, over six rounds in a heavyweight bout.

▲**Midlands Sporting Club, Solihull** — Jim Watt, Glasgow, 133½, won the vacant British lightweight title by stopping Tony Riley, Coventry, 134¼, in the twelfth round. There were just four seconds of that session left when referee Harry Gibbs decided it was pointless to allow the bout to continue. Riley had injuries around the left eye, and was well behind, although showing tremendous gameness.

The title became vacant when champion Willie Reilly decided that the purse he was offered to defend against Riley was not enough. The Board of Control then took away his title, and he subsequently announced his retirement from the ring. A peculiar decision, as he is only 25.

In two previous contests, Reilly lost to Watt on injuries, in a final eliminator, then beat Watt on injuries in a title fight when world champion Ken Buchanan gave up his British crown.

Watt has had only 16 bouts, but looks a good champion. He's a southpaw, and a devastating body puncher. At 23 he could be challenging for the European crown next year.

Against Riley it was the right jab of Watt that paved the way for victory, and Riley always seemed to be fighting a losing cause.

A point of interest — Buchanan, Reilly and Watt are all Scots.

Bobby Arthur, Coventry, 148, a leading contender for the British welter crown, had no difficulty in outpointing Spaniard Jose Madrazo, 149¾, over ten by 50-47½.

Arthur won every round, jabbing and hooking almost at will, and it looked more like a spar-session.

Dave Hawkes, Farnham, 174¼, impressed in his first fight for twelve months by stopping southpaw Ade Ajasco, Nigeria, 172, in four. Ajasco was decked four times.

George McGurk, Jarrow, 136, drew with Sammy Lockhart, Lisburn, 135, over eight. McGurk was floored in the fourth, sustained an eye injury and did well to get back into the fight and earn a draw.

▲**Anglo-Welsh Sporting Club, Caerphilly** — Phil Matthews, Rossendale, 161½, beat Tom Bell, Grenada, 159, on a seven-round disqualification for alleged persistent holding.

Both seemed anxious to get on with it, but there were frequent close-quarter mauls and their respective styles didn't make for a good fight.

Les Pickett, Merthyr, 119, kayoed Orizu Obilaso, Nigeria, in the fourth, the bell sounding at "four," but the count continuing according to the rules. Obilaso was down twice in the second.

Roger Barlow, Coventry, 180, stopped Barry Clough, Stoke, 181, in the opening session. Clough was floored three times.

Kenny Webber, Merthyr, 148, outscored Bob Langley, Farnham, 148, by 29¾-29 over six.

▲**National Sporting Club, London** — Tommy Sobles, Leeds, 138¾, outpointed Noel McIvor, Luton, 138, over eight by 39¾-39¼, in a crowd-pleasing bout.

A fight of fluctuating fortunes, first one man in front, then the other. Sobles finished strongly, but McIvor was always unwilling to concede an inch, and Tommy was never allowed to relax.

Charlie Cooper, Southampton, 147, gained a narrow points win over Les Davies, Bangor, 149, over eight by 39¾- 9½. Davies took some time to fathom Cooper's southpaw stance, but kept punching away until the end.

Peter Brisland, Southampton, 170, stopped Vic Humphries, Kilburn, 177, in two, with Humphries still upright but very much on the receiving end.

Jeff Burns, Swansea, 160½, beat Danny Barrett, Luton, 154½, who retired with an injured left eye at the end of the first round. Barrett was decked twice.

▲**Top Rank Suite, Reading** — Colin Miles, Cardiff, 122, stopped Frenchman Mario Oliveira, 125¾, in five. Referee Benny Caplan intervened as the towel came in.

Welsh bantam champion Miles couldn't make any impression for the first two rounds, when the Frenchman crowded him and punched accurately and hard. But from then on Oliveira faded slightly, and Miles took over.

The Frenchman was under severe pressure when the stoppage came, and it was a good victory for Miles, substituting for Billy Waith, who was ill. Eddie Neilson, Swindon, 208, kayoed Sid Paddock, Southampton 192, in the second. A right to the jaw did the trick. Paddock was also having his first pro fight.

Jeff Burns, Swansea, 159, outscored Peter Blake, 154, Southend, over six by 29¾-29½, showing a fine left jab in a fine contest.

▲**Premier Ring Sporting Club, London** — A draw was the only possible result in the eight-rounder between Geoff Shaw, Manchester, 175½, and George Gray, Southend, 177.

Gray's southpaw stance presented no problems for Shaw, and the latter jabbed well with his left to get on top in the early stages. Then it was Gray's turn to score, and they punched it out toe-to-toe until the end of an exciting encounter.

Pat Brogan, Crewe, 162, convincingly outscored Mick Hussey, Islington, 161, by 40-39¾ over eight "twos" in an entertaining scrap.

Johnny Wall, Hoxton, stopped Bobby Barrett, Battersea, 168½, in four. Barrett was getting further and further behind with each succeeding round, and the referee rightly intervened.

▲**World Sporting Club, London** — Phil Matthews, Rossendale, 163, kayoed Roy Dale, America, 162½, in two and Dale was still flat on his back as the count was completed.

A fine performance by Matthews, who will meet champion Bunny Sterlins for the latter's British middleweight title shortly, a voluntary defence by Sterling. In fact Phil was in bed suffering from a chill just prior to the Dale fight.

Dale jabbed away busily in the opening session, but it was all Matthews in the second round, as he banged home a left to the jaw that had Dale down for six. A similar punch put him on the canvas again for the full count.

Pat Thomas, Cardiff, 147½, won his eight-rounder on points against Central Area welter champion Mickey Flynn, Manchester, 147, score 39½-39, but it was an untidy contest, with too many infringements.

Danny Fontilio, Woolwich, 166, outpointed Les Avoth, Cardiff, 164½, over six by 30-29.

Pat Thompson, Liverpool, 175, beat Billy Brooks, Chiswick, 168, the bout being stopped in the first round when Brooks sustained an eye injury.

▲**National Sporting Club, London** — Southpaw Paul Cassidy, Bournemouth, 189, outpointed Albert Austin, Jamaica, 206, over eight "twos" by 39½-39.

Don Burgin, Durham, 139, outpointed Barton McAllister, Clapham, 139, by 39½-39, also over eight "twos."

▲**Princes Hall, Birmingham** — Jose Legra of Spain, 126, kept his European featherweight title by outpointing Tommy Glencross, Glasgow, 124½, over 15 rounds. But it was a split decision. Referee Ben Bril of Holland made it 73-71 to Glencross, only to be outvoted by the two judges, Karl Perpeet, of Germany, who scored it 74-72 to Legra, and Robert Desgain of Belgium, who cast 73-70, also to the champion.

Legra is now 29, and only boxes in spasms, occasionally going in with flurries of punches that catch the eye, but reserving his best work for the last minute of every round.

Glencross stuck to his task well, did his best to pin Legra down in order to get in close and stay in close, but the champion is still an elusive customer, and kept dancing away.

In the first round Glencross's left eye was swollen, and the injury worsened in the ninth. Legra seemed in command after ten rounds, which was two-thirds of the way, with Glencross always going forward, always trying to force it, but not always able to catch his man.

In the twelfth round, southpaw Glencross at last tagged Legra with a hard left to the jaw, which slowed the champ, and in an effort to retaliate he almost went through the ropes as he lashed out wildly.

For the first time the home crowd had something to cheer about, and Glencross continued the treatment, banging away with those lefts to the face. At that stage there couldn't have been much in it, and everything depended in the last two sessions.

Here Glencross disappointed. Continuous pressure might have got him the verdict, but it was Legra who pulled out that extra stamina to take the initiative and win the fight.

But it is an interesting point that if the contest had been held under the old rules, with the referee being the sole scorer, Glencross would now be the European champion.

Phil Bryant, Cardiff, 127½, gave away quite a slice in weight to outscore Don Burgin, Shotton, 137, over eight by 39½-38¾. Burgin was down for three in the second and handicapped by an injury to his left eye, but made a good recovery. Bryant boxed coolly to gain his fifth consecutive win as a pro.

Sammy Lockhart, Lisburn, 133½, kayoed Gary Yean, Liverpool, 137½, in three after flooring him in the second. Yean just failed to beat the count.

Frank Carpenter, Coventry, 192¼, easily outpointed Paul Cassidy, Bournemouth, 188½, over six to score his fifth successive win as a pro.

Tony Davies, Cardiff, 112½, outscored Mickey Lynch, Loughborough, 120, over six by 30-28½. A good win for Davies in conceding weight to a far more experienced opponent.

Randolph Turpin, Leamington, 171, made it three in a row by comfortably outpointing Peter Mullen, Tipton, 164¼, also over six, by 30-28¾.

▲**Anglo-American Sporting Club, Manchester** — John H. Stracey, Bethnal Green, 147¾, stopped Spaniard Antonio Torres, 149¼, in six. Referee Wally Thom intervened just as the towel came in.

A few weeks earlier Torres had decked Jackie Turpin 16 times before outpointing him, but he was never in the hunt against Stracey, who has been nominated to meet Les Pearson in a final eliminator for the British welter title.

Stracey set his man up with persistent left jabs to the face, and after taking a couple of rounds to sum up the situation went to work in earnest, with Torres' face soon showing sings of wear.

The Spaniard was down in the fifth and again in the sixth, and in trouble when the end came.

Tom Imrie, Edinburgh, 159¼, made it seven straight in stopping Cyclone Barth, Nigeria, 159¼, in four. Imrie kept up the pressure from the first bell, and Barth had to hold on several occasions.

Although there had been no knockdowns, Cyclone was but a gentle breeze when referee intervened.

Sammy Vernon, Belfast, 125, was too good for Dave Grantley, Hull, 128, outpointing him over six by 29¾-29.

Gerald Gooding, Barbados, 168¾, outscored Terry Armstrong, Manchester, 175¼, by 29½-29¼ in a dull six-rounder.

▲**National Sporting Club, London** — Eddie Neilson, Swindon, 192, stopped Paul Cassidy, Bournemouth, 190¼, in three. Neilson was in command throughout in this all-southpaw contest, and was hitting Cassidy at will when the referee intervened.

Billy Belnavis, Wolverhampton, 137, seemed fortunate to gain a six-rounds points verdict over dubutant Liam White, Bristol, 138, by 29½-29¼. Belnavis was down twice, and White finished strongly.

▲**Shoreditch Town Hall, London** — Johnny Cheshire, Ayr, 131¼, showed impressive form in knocking out Dennis Flynn, Enfield, 131, in

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surprisingly fresh and was the aggressor, taking Urtain out of his stride. In the sixth it was Urtain who appeared keen to end the fight there and then but he had lost a great deal of his steam.

With both tiring, the fight developed into a brawl with far too much clinching and holding with both to blame. In the 13th, Urtain went down in a neutral corner but Gandre did not take up the count. In the final heat both looked as if they would fall to the canvas at any moment which would not have been surprising after such a gruelling 15-rounder. Blin collected the crown and DM 80,000 and Urtain should find some compensation with a purse of DM 12,000. A DM is worth 31 cents, U.S.

Germany's first success came over 40 years ago in the heavyweight class when Hein Mueller won the European crown on August 30, 1931. Since then eight other German boxers have held the title—Arno Kolblin, 1937; Adolf Heuser, 1939; Max Schmeling, 1939; Hein ten Hoff, 1951; Heinz Neuhaus, 1952; Karl Mildenberger, 1964; Peter Weiland, 1969; and now Blin.

This was the fourth heavyweight championship contest to be staged in Madrid and the 36th to go the full distance in 82 title bouts at this poundage.

Blin was having his 46th bout and celebrated his 31st victory. Urtain entered the ring for his 47th fight, won 38 inside the distance, one on points, lost six with two draws. Urtain prepared for this fight at Las Maats, a village not far from Madrid. Sparring partners included Roy Anderson. Urtain's new manager, Yamiel Chade said that his charge had boxed 150 rounds in preparation for Blin.

Urtain won the European crown by beating German, Peter Weiland in April, 1970, and lost it to Henry Cooper in September the same year.

Before the bout Yamiel Chade and Joe Frazier's manager, Yank Durham, were talking of a Frazier-Urtain bout. Urtain is another Rocky Marciano, said Chade, while Durham was having us believe that the Spaniard was better than Floyd Patterson, Jimmy Ellis and Oscar Bonavena. Blin's victory must have upset their plans.

▲Jose Legra, Spain, travelled to Birmingham to make a defense against Tommy Glencross and won on points in fifteen. Two officials, Karl Perpeet, Germany and Desgain, Belgium, scored in favor of Legra while Ben Brill, Holland, saw Glencross the winner by 73-71.

Southpaw Glencross has been boxing since 1967, and in 25 fights, won 23 and lost two on points.

Legra, boxing since 1960, was having his 145th fight winning 44 by the short route, 87 on points, drawn four, lost seven on points, and two inside the distance.

▲In Luxembourg, Monsieur Fernand Leclere, France, was voted President of the E.B.U. replacing Spaniard Dr. Don Vicente Garcia. Voting for the new vice presidents seat resulted in 102 votes for German Helmut Schaube, 93 Onslow Fane, Britain and 91 for Roberto Daque.

GERMANY

▲LUBECK – A crowd of 1,000 saw a promotion at Lubeck sponsored by promoter, Hans Peter Siemons. Lightweight Lothar Abend, Germany, beat Belouard Boualem, Tunis, KO4. Heavyweight Karsten Honhold, Germany, beat Juan Rodriguez, Spain, TKO4. Junior welterweight Mohamed Nefi, Tunis, outscored Alfred Fries, Germany, six. Heavyweight Kilani Ramdani, Tunis, beat Manfred Ackers, Germany, KO5. Light heavyweight Dieter Kay, Germany, outscored Antonio Rimasti, six. Heavyweight Udo Weitzel drew a four rounder with Edward Fuchs.

ITALY

▲LECCO – Middleweight Mario Almanzo, Italy, beat Miloud Cheraka, France, TKO3.

▲JESI – Flyweight Altero Marini beat Luigi Boschi, TKO2. Welterweight, Viadimiro Riga, Italy, outscored Law Ekpeli, Nigeria, eight.

▲PEASRO – Junior welterweight Piero Ceru, Italy, outpointed Johnny White, USA, eight. Lightweight Miguel Araujo Brazil, decisioned Bruno Melissano, Italy, eight.

▲SEREGNO – Middleweight Peter Asandoh, Nigeria, beat Mario Coiro, Italy, TKO5.

FRANCE

▲LE MANS – European middleweight champion Jean Claude Bouttier, France, beat Fabio Bettini, ten rounds, before 3,000.

SWITZERLAND

▲GENEVA – Walter Blaser, Switzerland, beat Jean Pierre Friedli in the seventh after the latter had been knocked down six times.

LUXEMBURG

▲Daniel Martin, France, beat Miguel Herida, Spain, TKO3. Clement Tschinza, Luxemburg, beat Wolfgang Luger, Germany, KO4.

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the second round. Flynn was floored four times.

Cheshire's previous career has been in-and-out, but if he continues to box in this manner he must soon be boxing for the British lightweight title. His body punching particularly was lethal.

Joe Yekinni, Nigeria, stopped Chris Jobson, East Ham, 148½, in three. Jobson was making a comeback after a few months' inactivity, but was floored twice and being beaten to the punch when the referee halted it.

Dave Parris, Tottenham, 177½, outscored Johnny Wright, Canning Town, 173½, over eight "twos" by 39¼-39, in a contest that provided plenty of action.

Tony Poole, Kettering, 146, stopped debutant Albert Wreden, West Ham, 148¼, in three, after decking him twice.

▲**Great International Sporting Club, Nottingham** — Central Area welterweight champion Mickey Flynn outpointed experienced Teddy Meho, Ghana, 148, over eight by 39¾-39.

Southpaw Flynn, Manchester, 148¼, kept up a constant pressure, and although Meho revealed a good left jab and a lot of skill, Flynn gave his opponent little chance to settle down, and was good value for his victory.

John Smith, Liverpool, 161½, stopped Peter Mullen, Wolverhampton, 162, in the opening session. Mullen was down for seven.

Doug Garrity, Liverpool, 139, beat Dave Massey, Manchester, 140, the referee stopping it in the second. Massey was floored for eight.

▲**Bedfordshire Sporting Club** — Don McMillan, Glasgow, is showing the best form of his career when most boxers would be either retired, or thinking about it.

At 33, McMillan won the right to fight for the British middleweight title by beating Kevin Finnegan, Cowley, 157¾, in five rounds of a final eliminator.

The manner of Mac's victory was not conclusive. Finnegan sustained an injury to his left eye that caused the stoppage at the end of the session and required three stitches.

As the bout didn't go the full twelve rounds the score-cards were not revealed. Although Finnegan may have had a slight edge there wasn't all that between these two.

The fact that McMillan won enables him to challenge for the British crown. But he will have to wait until after champion Bunny Sterling makes a voluntary defence against Phil Matthews.

Peter Blake, Southend, 148½, drew with Johnny Croll, Dundee, 146¼, over six, Blake providing most of the aggression and Croll countering effectively.

Barton McAllister, Clapham, 141¾, stopped Mick Evans, Bournemouth, 143½, in the last session of their six-rounder, when Evans was taking punishment.

Mike Frampton, Portsmouth, 131½, outscored John O'Rawe, Belfast, 130½, over six.

ARDON PERALTA ● AND OROPEZA SCORE ● IN PHOENIX FEATURES

By AL FENN

PHOENIX, ARIZONA — Ardon (Nino del Oro) Peralta stole the show at the Riverside Ballroom when he came back from almost certain defeat at the hands of Armiro Borboa, 118, of Mexico.

Peralta was in trouble in the first and second but began to find the range in the third and stopped Borboa with a hard right, left hook combination in the third.

It was a co-feature to the Dave Oropeza, 145, Phoenix, and Nick Leyva, 145, Mexico, 10-round feature. Oropeza scored a 10-round decision.

Two other bouts saw Chito Felix, 126, Phoenix score a six-round decision over Chamako Alfaro, 128, Tucson.

Javair Garcia, 160, Tuscon, stopped Luis Lizarraga, 160, Phoenix in two. It was for Lizarraga, a state Golden Gloves champ, a pro debut.

Phoenix' Frankie Kolovrat, one of the better welters, scored in Las Vegas. Kolovrat, from Yugoslavia, defeated Agipito Villegas, 147, San Diego in 10.

Arizona heavyweight contender Chuck Olivera scored a 6-round KO over Ron Steiger, of El Paso, at Nogales. Olivera was asked to train with Jerry Quarry.

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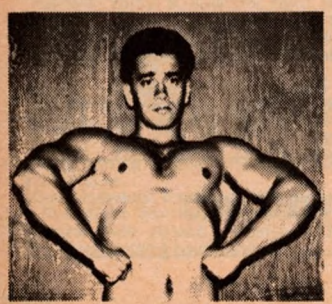

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